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Probation for ex-principal in fraud case

SENTENCE A former junior-high school principal was sentenced to 12 months' probation for fraud yesterday.

Carl Reid, one-time head of Gaetz Brook Junior High, resigned in 2005 after \$11,000 in school funds went missing. He reimbursed the school board for \$11,333.96 that fall.

Reid pled guilty to fraud charges.

His wife, Bernadette Reid, was a member of the disbanded Halifax school board. She had been investigated for a potential conflict of interest last year after she sold African craft items to Halifax schools, including Gaetz Brook when her husband was principal.

Police decided not to lay charges in that case.

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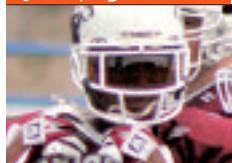
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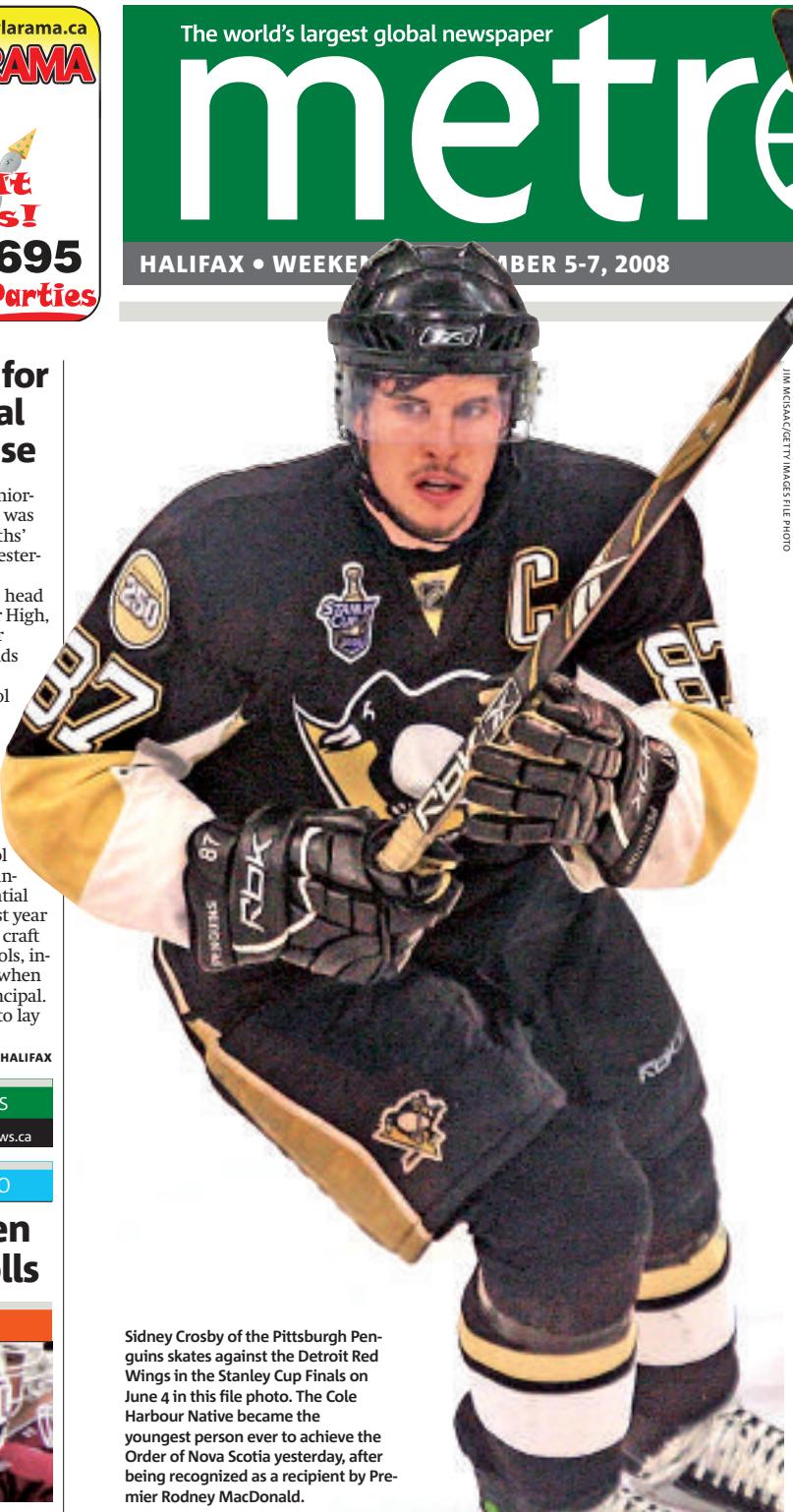
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Sidney Crosby of the Pittsburgh Penguins skates against the Detroit Red Wings in the Stanley Cup Finals on June 4 in this file photo. The Cole Harbour Native became the youngest person ever to achieve the Order of Nova Scotia yesterday, after being recognized as a recipient by Premier Rodney MacDonald.

Sid scores N.S. Order

NHLer youngest honouree

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Other recipients

It's not quite the Stanley Cup, but Sidney Crosby has something new to add to the trophy shelf.

The Cole Harbour hockey star became the youngest person to receive the Order of Nova Scotia yesterday, as Premier Rodney MacDonald recognized six individuals for their outstanding contributions and achievements.

Crosby just turned 21 last month, but is the first person to receive the Order in the youth category. Premier Rodney MacDonald said the province plans to nominate one young person each year to "recognize youth do have an important role to play in our province."

"He's an exceptional Nova Scotian," MacDonald said of Crosby.

"He's exemplified himself on an international scale and ... is a hockey role model for many young people."

Crosby led the Pittsburgh Penguins to the Stanley Cup final in the spring. The former No. 1 overall NHL draft choice became the youngest player to win a scoring title in a major professional sports league in 2007, the same

year he became the youngest captain in NHL history.

The six recipients will be honoured in a ceremony on Oct. 8, at Province House, although Crosby will not attend.

The Office also advises people to bring in lawn furniture and closely monitor weather forecasts.

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Hanna expected to drop heavy rains on Nova Scotia

WARNING Nova Scotians are being warned to brace themselves for the effects of Tropical Storm Hanna this weekend.

Environment Canada expects Hanna to be post-tropical storm with winds of 83 km/h when it hits the province Sunday. Heavy

rainfalls are also expected. The Emergency Management Office issued a release yesterday urging people to stock an emergency kit in

their home. Materials in the kit should include non-perishable food and water, a flashlight and batteries and a first-aid kit.

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Students putting loan debt before down payment

Paying down student loans is more of a priority for students than saving for a down payment for a house, according to a national survey conducted by the Bank of Montreal. Seventy-one per cent listed student loan debt as a priority, while only 62 per cent considered a down payment a priority. **METRO HALIFAX**

Local



Looking for a 'business angel'?

When in need of a financial miracle, a business angel just might be the ticket.
Colin Mason is presenting a public seminar on how to get rich individuals, or "business angels," to invest in small companies. The seminar is set for Wednesday in the Sobey Building.

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Woman charged in knife-wielding theft

ULTRAMAR Police tracked down a knife-wielding robber Wednesday night.

A 20-year-old woman armed with a knife held up the Ultramar on Chebucto Road, leaving on foot.

Police followed her trail to a residence on Beech Street where they arrested her. Police recovered both the knife and the stolen money. The suspect is charged with robbery and possession of a dangerous weapon.

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News in brief

NO CHARGES A cyclist was seriously injured on Highway 1 in Aylesford when he was sideswiped by a car around 6 a.m. Wednesday morning. RCMP say the driver didn't see the bicyclist, who was wearing black clothing, with no reflective markings. They say charges aren't anticipated. **METRO HALIFAX**

Monday's Metro

Going Green

David Suzuki recounts the lessons about life and nature he learned from his father



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What's online today.

Watch as thousands of soldiers line the tarmac in Kandahar to salute three fallen comrades, and a report into the Dawson College shootings that calls for a ban on assault rifles
Read Marty York's weekly CFL Report including his picks against the spread



Members of the Halifax Peace Coalition protest at the Cunard Centre yesterday.

Dozen protest against defence conference

JON TATTRIE
for Metro Halifax

The Halifax Peace Coalition protested against a meeting of the world's leading weapons' manufacturers downtown yesterday.

Carrying a mock coffin and smocks marked with blood-red handprints, the dozen demonstrators spoke out as Lockheed Martin sponsored an "Hour of Good Cheer" on the HMCS Sackville. The Canadian Defence Security and Aerospace Exhibition is being held at the Cunard Centre, and that's where the coalition gathered.

"Basically, they're celebrating death and destruction," said the coalition's Heidi Verheul as a handful of police kept watch. "The end product of the things they're making and selling inside ... are the armless, legless and dead victims."

Verheul said the group also objects to Canada's role in Afghanistan. She argued Canada needs to maintain a military for disaster relief and for "true threats," but said the Afghan mission "is increasing the threat."

She said the billions the government spends on defence would be put to better use in education, health care and combating global warming.

"These companies are cheering the fact that more Canadian tax dollars will be used to pay for their war-fighting technologies that injure and kill people, but lead to greater profits for them," Verheul said.

Colin Stephenson, organizer of the event, saw things differently. He's the executive director of the Nova Sco-

tia International Air Show. The conference provides a good portion of the air show's funding.

He said the event connects military procurement people with the sellers of things like supply ships and search-and-rescue equipment, along with the weapons.

"I certainly understand what they're talking about," he said of the protesters.

"There's no question that we, as much as anyone, would prefer a peaceful world, and everybody is working in that direction."

"But until we're there, I think it's wise to build good fences. That's what folks like Lockheed Martin help to provide."

The conference wraps up today.

"I think it's wise to build good fences. That's what folks like Lockheed Martin help to provide!"

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Whalen not jumping to feds for Halifax race

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Casey at bat

• Bill Casey's Conservative opponent — whoever they end up being — will have the unenviable task of facing a wildly popular incumbent MP.

But at least they'll have the support of their provincial counterpart.

Colchester-Musquodoboit Valley MLA Brooke Taylor confirmed yesterday he would be supporting the Conservative candidate in the federal version of his riding.

Diana Whalen, Liberal MLA for Halifax Clayton Park, was rumoured to be making the jump to federal politics and targeting that riding. But yesterday Whalen announced she'd decided against the move.

"The Halifax seat is winnable for the Liberals, but my heart and my commitment are with the people of Halifax Clayton Park who have elected me to represent them and fight for their issues," said Whalen.

Meanwhile the NDP have three promising candidates vying for their party's spot. Alexis MacDonald, Irvine Carver and Meagan Leslie have all put their name forward. The winner will be decided this Monday when the party will vote to decide the candidate.

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. at the McInnes Room in Dalhousie University.

Meanwhile, the Conservatives are foregoing the

voting process altogether and will simply appoint their candidate.

Tory nomination meetings have been cancelled in four of the 11 ridings across Nova Scotia. Normally riding associations vote on candidates, but the Conservatives have said there isn't enough time to complete the process before the election.

The four ridings are Halifax, Dartmouth-Cole Harbour, Kings-Hants and Cumberland-Colchester-Musquodoboit.

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Rewards for tips tripled to \$150K

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Nova Scotia's Justice Department has tripled the reward for tips leading to convictions in some of the province's most notorious unsolved murders, despite the cash program's failure to net a single criminal.

Information leading to a conviction in a major crime will now earn you \$150,000, up from \$50,000. The reward was increased after public complaints that \$50,000 wouldn't cover the costs of relocation that might be required for someone who comes forward.

A major crime is defined as murder, or suspicious circumstances where a person has gone missing or human remains have been found.

"It's another tool for police agencies to use to catch these individuals. All it takes is one (tip)," Carla Grant, spokeswoman for the department, said. "We have had a number of tips come in ... but so far, they haven't yielded any significant result. It's quite possible that this amount might cause someone to come forward."

Expiry dates on cases have also been done away with. Cases will automatically remain on file, meaning police won't have to resubmit them to the program.

"Oftentimes, it may be a seemingly insignificant detail that helps officers resolve a case," Halifax Regional Police Chief Frank Beazley said. "It is our

hope that this increase in the award being offered will give people further incentive to come forward with that one missing piece of the puzzle that would allow police to further their investigation."

The Rewards for Major Unsolved Crimes Program was launched in October 2006.

Anyone with information about a major unsolved crime is asked to call 1-888-710-9090. There are 51 cases in the program.

"The program is important because it reminds Nova Scotians of the responsibility we all share in terms of building safer communities," said Justice Minister Cecil Clarke. "It gives us an opportunity to help bring criminals to justice."

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You won't be able to open your own practice, but a number of health questions will be answered at Dalhousie University's mini-medical school. It's on every Thursday night between Oct. 16 and Nov. 20th at the Dalhousie Medical School. METRO HALIFAX

Dal hosting mini-med school

The Victims



Leon Anthony Adams, 32, was shot early May 22, 2005. Police found him dying in a hallway at 6025 Lady Hammond Road after receiving a report of an injured person.



Paula Gallant, 36, a school teacher, was found dead in the trunk of her car. The green 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier was parked in the lot of Beechville-Lakeside-Timberlea School at 12:30 am on Dec. 28, 2005.



Jonathan Reader, 19, was found unconscious in a street in Clayton Park Aug. 7, 2005. He was spotted leaving a downtown bar with an unidentified woman two hours before he was found.



Kevin Bowser was shot dead on July 10, 2004. The 28-year-old was at a house in Uniacke Square when a visitor asked him to step outside. Witnesses saw a car speed away after he was killed.



Danny DiBenedetto died in a Bedford home invasion on Feb. 8, 2005. DiBenedetto, 36, was found dying on his living room floor. Before dying, he told police three men had robbed and shot him.



Shen Tsou came to Halifax on a business trip in 2005. The B.C. man was reported missing June 30 after he failed to show up at his hotel. Neither Tsou nor his rental car has been seen since.

Conference gives families chance for Heart Talk

HEALTH The Braveheart convention in Halifax this weekend will have less to do with swords and kilts and more with heart-to-heart talks.

Families with Bravehearts — ie. kids with congenital heart defects (CHD) — are meeting for the annual Heart Talk. This year's theme is letting children live, grow and play.

"Families whose children are born with CHD may be hesitant to let go and give their children some independence," said Sharon McIntyre, Clinical Leader at the IWK Children's Heart Centre. "This year we want to spend some time talking about the best ways to help families adjust."

The two-day conference is also a chance for parents to connect and share their experiences.

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Members of the Public Service Alliance of Canada held a protest at CFB Greenwood yesterday. They don't like the decision to move a major military exercise from CFB Goose Bay to Greenwood because of a possible strike. METRO HALIFAX

School boards look at raises

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to \$15,300. Vice-chairs would go from \$10,000 to \$11,300.

Casey disbanded two school boards — Halifax and Straight Region — over the past term due to infighting. The recommended raise would take place after this fall's school board elections.

Casey wouldn't say whether she thought board members deserved the raise, adding only that she would respect their decision either way.

Under the Education Act, school board stipends need to be reviewed every four years. Four years ago the salary was raised from \$7,200 to \$8,200.

Travel and meal expenses are also covered.

More than half of the dismissed Strait regional school board members are running again in the upcoming election.

"It is a democracy. Any-

one who wants to let their name stand is certainly free to do so," said Casey.

School boards could be in for a raise, but only if they choose to give it to themselves.

The province's stipend committee has recommended a salary increase from \$8,200 per year to \$9,300 for regular board members.

Education Minister Karen Casey confirmed the raise would cut into classroom resources, but said it is only a recommendation. The choice to accept it lies with the board members themselves.

"I asked them to give it serious consideration," said Casey. "Boards, in my letter to them, have been encouraged to consider the resources that they have and what taking resources from the classroom will do."

The stipend for school board chairs would rise even more, from \$13,500

Halifax Common **Heavy rain disrupts cleanup**



Ryan MacGrath jumps over muddy tracks as a fork lift tackles a muddy black ball that was used to protect the field. Heavy rain didn't help the concert cleanup on the Halifax Common this week. It's been six days since the outdoor concert was held in the public park and the site is still a mess. And with Tropical Storm Hanna heading our way on Sunday, restoration may take even longer.

44 months for Truro slasher

SENTENCING A Truro man has been sentenced to 44 months in prison for an act of rage that left one woman with knife wounds on her face and another injured.

Justin Gary Deyarmond, 23, of 13B Walker St., pleaded guilty yesterday to aggravated assault against the woman he slashed, Lyndsey Dawn Randi Gass. He also pleaded guilty to assaulting his girlfriend, Suzanne Denise Lane, who was seven months pregnant at the time.

"The scar on my face has faded, but it's something I'll have to live with for the rest of my life," Gass read from her victim impact statement.

Things went wrong on July 6 at Lane's apartment when Deyarmond, who had been drinking, started making accusations and assaulting her. Lane escaped, but when she later returned with Gass and another friend, Gass was attacked with a knife.

TRURO DAILY NEWS

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Halifax Stanfield International Airport (HSIA) will be the site for the 2008 Nova Scotia International Air Show (NSIAS) on September 6 and 7, 2008. NSIAS staff and HSIA operations staff are working together to ensure passengers travelling to and from the Airport on these days will not experience any disruption in service. Air Show performances have been planned around regularly scheduled passenger and cargo flights and should not interfere with service. HSIA is committed to the security and safety of its passengers and operations.

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Legendary Snowbirds, Skyhawks part of weekend's Nova Scotia air show

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The Snowbirds roared into Halifax yesterday ahead of this weekend's 25th Nova Scotia International Air Show.

The skies above Halifax Stanfield International Airport will be filled with aerial displays from the Snowbirds, as well as SkyHawks and the CF-18 Hornet demo team. The U.S. air force will show off some of its might with planned visits from the B-2 Stealth Bomber, the B-52 Bomber, F-16 Fighting Falcon and the P-3 maritime patrol aircraft.

Those with a preference for retro can check out the flying displays of the Oracle Challenger Biplane.

There will be no static display this year, however. The space usually used to let the public explore the aircrafts is unavailable because of a resurfacing project. The air show should be back to normal next year.



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Aerial displays from the famous Snowbirds, along with flights by various U.S. aircraft, will light up the sky during this weekend's Nova Scotia International Air Show in Halifax.

"We were presented a challenge this year with working around the necessary runway resurfacing

project at (the airport), but we are pleased with our progress," said Colin Stephenson, NSIAS executive

director. "As this is the last year for resurfacing of runways at the airport, we look forward to returning

information

- Tickets for the Saturday/Sunday event are available at Mark's Work Warehouse outlets or at the site. It's \$15 for an adult, \$10 for senior and youths, children under five are free and a family pass is \$45 (for two adults and three youths/seniors). Visit www.nsairshow.ca for confirmed performers and updated information.

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Obstacle courses, vehicle displays, and LAV III rides are all scheduled to return.

Pension clawbacks draw fire

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Veterans, widows of veterans, RCMP and the NDP joined together at province house to show their opposition to the federal government.

It's the most recent salvo from NDP veterans affairs critic Peter Stoffer. Among the most contentious issues are clawbacks of disabled veterans' pensions, and family members of veterans being denied compensation if their spouse died before February 6, 2006.

On Wednesday, the Harper government announced new payments for so-called "atomic veterans." Approximately 700 eligible soldiers who were deployed at atomic bomb test sites will now be eligible for a special payment of \$24,000.

Yesterday Stoffer praised the government for the initiative but said it was not enough.

"I always give credit where credit is due. This government has moved on the atomic veterans issue," said Stoffer. "We think, of course, this amount is far too small for what has happened to these men and women. But (the government) did acknowledge that wrong was done."



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News in brief

ELECTION A third man has announced he'll be running for mayor of New Glasgow in October. Rick Beaton says he wants to ensure that New Glasgow continues to be a leader across the province. Beaton

says he's committed to maintaining the tax rates for residents and businesses, increasing the tax base and looking for opportunities to assist seniors on fixed incomes.

METRO HALIFAX

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Ongoing work related to the Freshwater Brook Sewer Replacement project has the intersection of Barrington and Inglis Streets closed to through traffic.

Construction activity in this area is expected to continue until mid-September.

Local traffic will be maintained for residents and businesses on either side of the closure. Sidewalks will generally remain open, but some temporary closures will be required. These closures and alternate pedestrian routes will be marked on site.

Please note that shops and services at the end of Barrington and Inglis Streets, adjacent to the work zone, will remain open during the construction period.

The typical hours of work are Monday to Friday, 7 A.M. to 7 P.M., and on weekends, as required.

Traffic control personnel will be on site to ensure smooth traffic flow. On-site personnel will also maintain communication with local residents and businesses to help minimize disruption.

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Students seek change in Municipal Elections Act

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Halifax students are demanding changes to "discriminatory" provincial laws they say are preventing many from voting in the upcoming municipal election.

The Halifax Student Alliance, a municipal lobby group representing students from Dalhousie, Saint Mary's and Mount Saint Vincent Universities, sent a letter to Service Nova Scotia Minister Jamie Muir calling for changes to the Municipal Elections Act.

"It discriminates based on students' marital status," says Tara Gault, executive director of the alliance. "It shouldn't matter whether or not you're married."

Section 16 (2) of the act states any unmarried student may vote only where their parents live.

While section 14 (c) of the act says residents may vote if they have lived in the municipality for three months leading up to the election, and that encompasses students, according to a Service Nova Scotia spokeswoman, Gault says the rules should be clearer.

"This, at best, will lead to confusion for students and we see this as highly problematic particularly in a landmark year for democracy in Canada," she said. "We should be making sure that these regulations are much more clear and that students don't face any unnecessary barriers to voting."

Service Nova Scotia Minister Jamie Muir was unavailable for comment yesterday.

The municipal election is Oct. 18.

Focus of dissent

The Municipal Elections Act

- Section 14 (c) says residents have to be living in the municipality for three months preceding election day in order to vote.
- Section 16 (2) says any unmarried student may vote only where their parents live.

Bavarian party time at Oktoberfest

TATAMAGOUCHE The sights, sounds and tastes of Bavaria will lure thousands of partygoers to Tatamagouche this month to one of the largest parties in Atlantic Canada.

Joyce Mingo, spokes-

woman for the North Shore Bavarian society, said more food vendors will be participating in this year's Oktoberfest adding to the flavour of the giant celebration.

"It is definitely one of

Nova Scotia's premier festivals celebrating culture," said Mingo.

This is the 29th year the society has hosted the event. It is set for the final weekend of September.

METRO HALIFAX

News in brief

POWER OUTAGE Nova Scotia Power wasn't quite sure why 18,000 Pictou County residents lost service between 8:45 and 10:15 p.m. last night. A local radio station had heard from NSP that lightning was the cause of the outage, although an NSP spokesperson thought

that diagnosis a little premature. The incident occurred at the Trenton substation, where a first attempt to restore electricity lasted only briefly. Then, the crew noticed a few burned 600-volt cables, and was able to fix the problem.

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Two 16-year-olds from Alberta who admitted breaking into a neighbour's house over the Christmas holidays, putting their cat in a microwave and watching it cook to death, have been sentenced to one year of probation and 100 hours of community service and banned from owning pets for two years. METRO CANADA

Canada

"That's what makes things possible ... the constant light."

Lucy Kuptana speaking about how her town, Inuvik, is converting a old hockey arena into a greenhouse.



Fresh food

Inuvik's annual mean temperature is minus 9.7 C, and the greenhouse is allowing many town residents to enjoy fresh, locally grown vegetables for the first time.

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Drugs can't cure cancer: Studies

If cancer can be beaten, it's unlikely that new drugs will be the champions.

That's the suggestion found in three, paradigm-shifting studies that show the disease is simply too genetically complex for any magic-bullet medicine to defeat, researchers say.

The studies, released yesterday by the world's two top scientific journals, provide the most detailed look yet at the genetic roots of two of the most deadly forms of the disease: pancreatic cancer and glioblastoma multiforme brain tumours.

therapeutics

- 99 per cent of applied cancer research now goes to developing new therapeutics the studies said.

The emerging map of these cancers suggest that the consuming search for

drugs to cure cancer may well prove fruitless for most forms of the disease and that early diagnosis prevention and therapeutics should be the main focus of research into the ailment.

"It is, I think, apparent from studies like ours that

it is going to be even more difficult perhaps than previously expected to derive real cures from such (drug) therapies," said Dr. Bert Vogelstein, an author on two studies that appeared yesterday in the Journal Science.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Finley targeted by stripper group

LEGAL FIGHT The law that Ottawa introduced to sanction its de facto ban on foreign strippers is unconstitutional and would be defeated in court, prominent Toronto lawyer Morris Manning said yesterday.

Citizenship and Immigration Minister Diane Finley "is acting outside her authority in a manner that is contrary to the rule of law and democratic principles," Manning wrote in a legal opinion for the Adult Entertainment Association of Canada.

The association, and Citizenship and Immigration Canada have been fighting since 2004.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

News in brief

ELECTION Fisheries Minister Loyola Hearn and Human Resources Minister Monte Solberg joined Foreign Minister David Emerson in his departure from the election when they said they will not be running again for the Tories.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Tories closing in on majority: Poll



REUTERS/SARAH MCKEE

NDP Leader Jack Layton was in Toronto yesterday hosting a pre-election town hall meeting with party candidates from the area. Layton laid out his message on issues ranging from affordable medication to smog on the eve of the federal election expected to be called Sunday.

"This is the early days and there is no election campaign right at this moment and things can happen, but certainly if you look at this poll today, you would conclude that the Conservatives are in a very good position."

Environment

good position."

Environics said Canadians felt Harper and NDP leader Jack Layton would make the best prime ministers — better than Dion who received only 13 percent support.

The Conservatives won just over 36 percent of the vote in the January 2006 election and hold 127 Parliamentary seats.

The Liberals have 95 and the NDP 30.

REUTERS

totals

- Health officials believe at least 38 people across the country have had listeriosis food poisoning in the past few months. The same strain of the bacteria was found in deli meat from a Toronto plant owned by Maple Leaf Foods

But Ritz has maintained that the document was only a discussion paper and said the plan had not been implemented.

Dion also took issue with Ritz's claim last month that meat inspectors spend about half their time on plant floors, noting the president of a union representing the inspectors called the minister's statement "pure fiction."

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Oil firm wins bid to import natural gas into New Brunswick

Spanish oil firm Repsol YPF will be allowed to import liquefied natural gas into a New Brunswick terminal for shipment to the U.S. northeast, Canada's energy regulator said yesterday. The National Energy Board said in a release it had concluded that the operation would be a "useful addition to the supply of natural gas."

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B.C. abortion protest law upheld

Advocates argued for right to demonstrate at Vancouver clinic

KRISTEN THOMPSON
Metro Canada



A law banning protesters outside abortion clinics was upheld by the B.C. Court of Appeal yesterday after two pro-life advocates argued the law violated their freedom of expression.

Joyce Arthur, with the Pro-Choice Action Network in Vancouver, said the pro-life community is "relieved" by the ruling.

"Women are vulnerable to the emotional and physical trauma of being confronted by protesters (outside abortion clinics)," she said.

"(The ruling) protects women and staff while (letting) protesters publicize their message across the street."

Cheryl Davies, vice president of the B.C. Women's Ambulatory Programs, said it upholds the rights of women to be treated in a "courteous and dignified manner."



RATE ARNOTT/METRO CANADA

Jill Doctoroff, director of the Elizabeth Bagshaw Women's Clinic, speaks at the SFU Harbour Centre in Vancouver yesterday. The B.C. Court of Appeals ruled to uphold protest-free zones around abortion clinics.

"Imagine being a woman already feeling vulnerable and alone and embarrassed," she said. "Having to run a gauntlet of strangers yelling and calling you a murderer."

The case dates back to

2000, when two anti-abortion activists were convicted under the Access To Abortion Services Act.

The Act established a buffer zone around abortion clinics preventing protesters from intimidating

or blocking women and staff.

Donald Spratt and Gordon Watson were arrested for picketing outside the Everywoman's Health Centre in Vancouver.

The men appealed the

B.C. laws

- The Access To Abortion Services Act was passed after an abortion doctor, Garrison Romalis, was shot in his Vancouver home in 1994.
- B.C. is the only province in Canada to have the law.

case in 2004, arguing that the act violated their freedom of expression.

Watson told CBC News yesterday that the court's decision ultimately says British Columbians don't have free speech.

Spratt added that the province has a two-tier system of justice, and that profilers and unborn children have fewer rights.

In a written ruling, Justice Catherine Ryan said the objective of the Act "is sufficiently important to justify a limitation on the way in which freedom of expression is exercised in an area adjacent to the facilities providing abortion services."

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Tobacco caused 2.4 million cases of cancer in the U.S. from 1999 to 2004, researchers said yesterday. Lung and bronchial cancer made up nearly half, but larynx, mouth, stomach, pancreas, kidney, bladder, and cervix cancers were also linked, as well as leukemia. **REUTERS**

World



Readyng for takeoff

NASA hauled the space shuttle Atlantis to its sea-side launch pad Thursday, hoping a trio of tropical storms churning over the Atlantic Ocean will steer clear of the Kennedy Space Centre in Florida. The shuttle is being prepared for an early October launch to the Hubble Space Telescope. **REUTERS**

'Change is coming': McCain

Candidate pledges bipartisan approach in speech

Republican John McCain promised yesterday that "change is coming" to Washington if he is elected president on Nov. 4 and he pledged to overcome partisan rancor by working with Democrats.

McCain accepted his party's presidential nomination in a packed hall, insisting he can pull off the kind of change that Democratic candidate Barack Obama talks about.

"Let me offer an advance warning to the old, big spending, do-nothing, me-first, country-second Washington crowd: change is coming," said McCain, a U.S. senator since 1986.

The 72-year-old Arizona senator, who bears the scars of 5 1/2 years as a Vietnam prisoner of war, entered the push to Election Day as the underdog with most polls showing Democrat Barack Obama ahead by a few percentage points.



Republican presidential nominee John McCain and vice-presidential nominee Sarah Palin gesture onstage after McCain's speech at the Republican National Convention yesterday.

McCain, portrayed as no different than unpopular President Bush by Obama and the Democrats, tried to reclaim his image as a Republican maverick.

"I don't work for a party.

I don't work for a special interest. I don't work for myself. I work for you," he said.

Protesters tried to disrupt the proceedings but were shouted down by the

crowd.
"Please don't be diverted by the ground noise and the static," McCain said. "Americans want us to stop yelling at each other."

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News in brief

ARGENTINA Furious rail commuters in Argentina set fire to a train yesterday in anger over delays during the morning rush hour. Television images showed black smoke and flames engulfing the train at Merlo station, located in the western suburbs of Buenos Aires. At nearby Castellar, passengers hurled stones at the ticket office and blocked the rails. Argentina's dilapidated rail services are plagued by delays and travelers' anger has led to violence in the past.

REUTERS

Taliban trophy photos shock France

AFGHANISTAN A French magazine published photos yesterday of Taliban fighters with trophies taken from French soldiers killed last month in Afghanistan, setting off a new round of debate about France's presence there.

The weekly magazine Paris Match ran a spread of the fighters displaying guns, uniforms, helmets, a walkie-talkie and a wrist-watch they said were taken from dead soldiers dur-

ing the Aug. 18 ambush.

Defence Minister Hervé Morin said Paris Match had done the Taliban a favour in the propaganda war.

"Should we be doing the Taliban's promotion for them?" he said.

Journalist Eric de Lavarene defended himself against accusations that he was manipulated by his subjects.

"No one talks of propaganda when we set off embedded with NATO troops,

"Should we be doing the Taliban's promotion for them?"

Hervé Morin

yet information (that we are exposed to) is always very tightly controlled," he said.

President Nicolas Sarkozy said after the ambush that France would continue to fight the "barbaric" Taliban.

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Sea levels expected to rise

Worldwide sea levels may rise by about 2.6 to 6.6 feet by 2100 thanks to global warming, but dire predictions of larger increases seem unrealistic, U.S. scientists said yesterday. **REUTERS**

Immunity gene may help combat AIDS

The AIDS virus is especially hard to fight because few people develop antibodies to neutralize it, but U.S. researchers said yesterday they have found an immunity gene that may offer a new way to fight back.

They said the gene Apobec3 helps mice develop antibodies against an HIV-like virus, and they think the same gene in humans could lead to a potent vaccine against the human immunodeficiency virus or HIV.

"This gene is central to HIV biology," Dr. Warner Greene of the Gladstone

by the numbers

- The AIDS virus infects an estimated 33 million people globally and has killed about 25 million since the pandemic started in the 1980s.

Institutes at the University of California, San Francisco, said in a telephone interview.

So far, efforts to make a vaccine against HIV have failed.

In humans, HIV devotes one of its 9 genes to disabling Apobec3 proteins, which may help explain

why people with HIV rarely make antibodies against the virus, he said.

HIV is a retrovirus, which means it copies bits of its own genetic code into the DNA of the host.

"If we could prevent HIV from destroying this key pivotal host factor, we might allow HIV-infected patients to develop neutralizing antibodies like they do in mice," he said.

"It's a translation from mice to men. That's the challenge now," said Greene, whose study appears in the journal *Science*.

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41 killed in Sri Lankan conflict

SEPARATIST Fierce combat across Sri Lanka's north killed at least 41 people when separatist Tamil Tiger insurgents fought back against an unceasing army push into their strongholds, the military said on Wednesday. The Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) rebels told the pro-rebel web site www.tamilnet.com that they had killed 12 soldiers and seized a large weapons cache in fighting this week, among the heaviest this year.

At several locations, the military said it had killed 28 rebels and wounded 10 on Wednesday against the loss of one soldier and eight injured.

REUTERS

Hanna death toll up to 136 in Haiti

HURRICANE Powerful Hurricane Ike weakened slightly as it charged across the Atlantic toward the Bahamas and the United States yesterday, while Tropical Storm Hanna's death toll from floods in Haiti grew to 136.

REUTERS

News in brief

KOREA Four regional powers plan to meet in Beijing in the next few days to discuss how to halt North Korea's steps towards restarting its ageing nuclear plant that makes arms-grade plutonium, officials said yesterday. South Korea said the North had told the International Atomic Energy Agency on Tuesday of its plans to restart its Yongbyon plant.

REUTERS

'Eco' club looks to lure green dancers

ENVIRONMENT A club where dancers generate power to light the floor, drinks come in recyclable cups and toilets flush with rain water opened in the Netherlands yesterday, hoping to lure environmentally-conscious clubbers.

Rotterdam's WATT, which is designed to save about 30 per cent on energy and carbon emissions and 50 per cent on water and waste compared to other nightclubs, has included sustainable elements into everything from its architecture to its cafe menus.

"We want to show that sustainability can be integrated into lifestyles, and integrating it into something fun shows that sustainability can be fun," said Michel Smit of Sustainable DanceClub (SDC)

consultants, who helped develop the concept.

The club follows another "eco" club in London, and some restaurants and cafes have billed themselves as sustainable based on their menus and ethical standards to attract an increasingly green-conscious public.

Clubbers tested out WATT's main showpiece, a dance floor on which the disco lights become more dynamic as more people grooved around on it. A meter shows how much power is being generated, making the revellers want to go even wilder.

"When you start dancing, you generate electricity, and it makes the floor come alive. The more you dance, the more the floor comes to life," said Daan Roosegaarde, who was involved in its design.

REUTERS

Argentina Fired-up commuters



Furious rail commuters in Argentina yesterday set fire to a train at the Merlo station, in the western suburbs of Buenos Aires, in anger over delays during the morning rush hour.

Nepal Taking a holy bath



Hindu women perform rituals before taking a holy bath at Bagmati River in Kathmandu, Nepal, to celebrate the Teej festival yesterday. Married women celebrate the festival for the long life and happiness of their husbands while the unmarried ones take part to wish for a good husband.

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EU ponders monitors in Georgia

European Union foreign ministers will discuss today the launch of a civilian monitoring mission in Georgia, with the aim of getting several hundred personnel on the ground as soon as possible.

The plan is vital to Western efforts to convince Russia to withdraw from its small ex-Soviet neighbour, whose army Moscow crushed last month after Tbilisi's effort to win back

the breakaway Georgian region of South Ossetia.

"The aim is for the EU mission to go as soon as it can," said one EU official before the meeting in the French city of Avignon. The official added that a decision to deploy 200-plus personnel could be taken in about week after French President Nicolas Sarkozy returns from Moscow.

France brokered a deal to end the war last month,

More steps for the European Union

- Among the measures to aid Georgia up for discussion at an emergency EU summit on Monday are relaxation of visa

regulations for Georgians and further steps to deepen EU-Georgia ties, including a pact to free up trade.

but Moscow has since defied the West by leaving troops in strategic "security zones".

The EU argues that increasing monitors would mean that Moscow could

no longer keep its troops in those areas, and would accept international talks on a new security blueprint for the rebel regions.

But officials say Russia's response is uncertain and

that the plan could hang on Sarkozy's trip on Monday to urge Moscow to pull troops back to pre-conflict lines. The EU hopes for a decision by Sept. 15.

Russia's presence in Georgia and its decision to recognise the rebel regions' independence have strained ties with the West, and underlined the limited leverage of the EU and United States in the stand-off. **REUTERS**

News in brief

AFGHANISTAN Lobbyist Jack Abramoff was sentenced yesterday to serve four more years in prison after he was found to have traded expensive gifts, meals and sports trips for political favors. In January 2006, he pleaded guilty to conspiracy, mail fraud and tax evasion, but sentencing was delayed until yesterday. The scandal engulfed several Republicans, and contributed to election defeats that led to their loss of control of Congress in 2006. Abramson is already serving a sentence for separate fraud charges. **REUTERS**

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Study shows racial difference in lung cancer

Blacks with a history of the chronic breathing disorder COPD have a far greater risk of developing lung cancer than whites who have the lung disease, U.S. researchers said yesterday. **REUTERS**

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Personal wealth grows fastest among rich

**The old saying holds true:
The rich do get richer.**

Even as world financial markets broke down last year, personal wealth around the world grew 5 per cent to \$109.5 trillion, according to a global wealth report released yesterday by Boston Consult-

ing Group.

It was the sixth consecutive year of expanding wealth. The fastest growth was among households in developing regions, such as China and the Gulf States and among families who were already rich.

That wealth also is in-

creasingly concentrated among the richest.

The top one per cent of all households owned 35 per cent of the world's wealth last year. Meanwhile, the top 0.001 per cent, ultra-rich households holding at least \$5 million in assets, commanded \$21

trillion — a fifth of the world's wealth.

The planet also continues to mint new millionaires rapidly. The biggest jumps in 2007 came from emerging countries in Asia and Latin America. Overall, the number of millionaire households grew 11 per

cent to 10.7 million last year.

North American personal wealth growth slowed to 3.8 per cent last year, compared with nine per cent in 2006, reflecting the mortgage crisis and the onset of the credit crunch last summer.

REUTERS

News in brief

LIBYA Condoleezza Rice travels to Libya today, the first trip there by a U.S. secretary of state in 55 years, signalling improved ties between the two countries. Rice held back on visiting the former pariah state until a compensation package was signed last month to cover legal claims involving victims of U.S. and Libyan bombings.

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Bell Canada has bought a new technology from Nortel Networks Corp. that lets telecom firms quadruple the capacity of their networks, the companies said yesterday. [REUTERS](#)

Bell buys Nortel tech

Business

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THE DAILY BUSINESS BUZZ

Historic houses, free:

The WM Fares group is planning a new downtown high rise, but three historic homes, 1441, 1455 and 1467 South Park St., are in the way. Rather than tear the properties down, the company plans to give them away. Now the catch: you'll have to pay to relocate the building, and it has to be off the property by the end of the month. The Fares group will kick in \$30,000 for relocation efforts.

Gammon Gold's good news: Halifax-based Gammon Gold Inc. announced more encouraging results from its Guadalupe y Calvo exploration property Chihuahua State, Mexico as part of the recently enhanced 45,000 to 50,000 metre diamond drilling program currently underway. "The assays results we are continuing to receive confirm the significant potential of this asset and represent a significant opportunity," said René Marion, Chief Executive Officer of Gammon Gold.

Bank announcement today: The latest Genuine Progress Index Atlantic report says about 10 per cent of Atlantic households own close to 50 per cent of the region's wealth and the poorest 40 per cent own only 3.6 per cent of that wealth.

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National food price wars are over: Analyst

REPORT Despite advertising meant to convince consumers otherwise, food prices are taking a bigger bite out of consumers' wallets as higher prices for some foods more than offset the savings on others.

Perry Caicco, a research analyst at CIBC World Markets, wrote in a note to clients this week.

"The national food price wars are over," Caicco declared in a 21-page report on the state of the food industry.

"This does not mean the industry will be less price competitive."

competitive than before. Indeed ... strong flyers and sharp price points will continue," Caicco added.

But such campaigns are now more targeted, involve fewer items, and are less harmful to retailer's profit margins, Caicco noted.

Both major retailers named in the report, Loblaw and Walmart Canada Corp., said later they continue to invest in prices and look for ways to pass on savings to customers.

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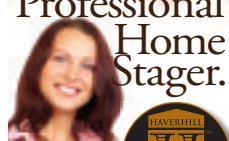
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CFL

Montreal Alouettes teammates Avon Cobourne and Damon Duval were honoured as the CFL's offensive and defensive players of the month, respectively, for August yesterday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports

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Spidey pales next to Ocho

Stunt by Argos' Bruce doesn't cut it next to sport's greatest showboaters

York Report

Marty York



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Too bad **Arland Bruce III** couldn't come up with something a tad more entertaining the other night.

Slipping on a Spider-Man mask to celebrate a touchdown for the Toronto Argonauts just didn't cut it. I mean, I don't want to come off like **Simon Cowell** or one of those television-show judges, but Bruce's performance lacked creativity, imagination and was

well below acceptable showboating standards.

Heck, top showboaters don't even use props any more. Nowadays, they change their name legally, or crush opponents in Olympic sprint competition without even trying.

Read more about Bruce and my thoughts on the shortage of good CFL hot-dogging this season in my latest CFL Report at metronews.ca, but let's just say no CFLer can hold a candle to the likes of NFL receiver **Chad Johnson** or sprinter **Usain Bolt**.

Never mind Johnson changing his name legally to **Chad Ocho Cinc**. This guy once mailed Pepto Bismol to his opponents before

a game. He raced a horse. He declared he could outrace **Michael Phelps** in the swimming pool.

And Bolt? Well, besides his bizarre gyrations before and after his races, he practically moonwalks during them.

All of which explains why Johnson, er, Ocho Cinc and Bolt are 1-2 in a cool Fox list of sports' top 10 showboaters.

Bruce didn't make the list, of course, but two women and a Canadian NHL player did.

Tennis player **Serena**

Williams is sixth, behind the NBA's **Gilbert Arenas**, NFL receiver **Terrell Owens** and NFL quarterback **Brett Favre**.

"Williams arguably has more flair than the entire men's side of tennis," Fox writes. "Her unusual fashion sense has inspired her to wear knee-high go-go boots during the U.S. Open ... She once sported a skintight cat suit, too."

Ranked eighth on the showboat list, behind slugger **Manny Ramirez**, is **Daniela Patrick**, described by Fox as "the most colourful driver in motor sports." She starred in a racy GoDaddy commercial and has had several run-ins with fellow auto racers on pit row.

Ranked 10th on the list, behind pitcher **Carlos Zambrano**, is NHLer **Sean Avery** of Pickering, Ont.

Avery, Fox writes, enjoys aggravating foes and drawing attention to himself. He did jumping jacks in front of goalie **Martin Brodeur** in the playoffs and he appeared at his introductory news conference with the Dallas Stars in salmon-coloured shoes and matching checkered shorts and jacket.

Never, though, would Avery or any of the above wear a Spider-Man mask. That was lame. Or, as Cowell might say, hideous.

Marty York has been a groundbreaking sports columnist and broadcaster in Canada for decades.

Federer, Djokovic into semis

TENNIS Four-time champion Roger Federer weathered a tough battle against Luxembourg qualifier Gilles Muller to book his place in the U.S. Open semifinal with a 7-6, 6-

4, 7-6 win yesterday.

The second-seeded Swiss was tested to the full on a sweltering, breezy afternoon in New York by a player ranked 130th in the world before sealing victory in two hours 26 minutes.

Seeking his fifth consecutive U.S. Open title but his first grand slam crown of the year, Federer edged marathon man Muller 7-5 in the third-set tiebreak to win his 32nd consecutive match at Flushing Meadows.

Federer's opponent in the last four will be third-seeded Serb Novak Djokovic who slipped past No. 6 Andy Roddick 6-2, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (5) last night.

REUTERS

Sports in brief

MLB Travis Snider finished 3-for-3 with a home run and Jesse Litsch hurled nine scoreless innings as the Toronto Blue Jays routed the Minnesota Twins 9-0 last night to complete a three-game sweep.

NFL Former Minnesota Viking quarterback Daunte Culpepper announced his retirement from the NFL yesterday, after nine seasons. METRO NEWS SERVICES

NFL Super Bowl champs just keep on winning



AP/WIDEWORLD/GETTY IMAGES

Plaxico Burress celebrated receiving a fresh two-year contract extension with 10 catches for 133 yards and the New York Giants opened their Super Bowl title defence with a 16-7 victory over their NFC East rivals, the Washington Redskins, in the NFL season opener last night.

SCOREBOARD

MLB	WEST DIVISION					CFL
	W	L	PCT	GB	WEEK 3	
AMERICAN LEAGUE						TONIGHT'S GAME
EAST DIVISION						CALGARY AT EDMONTON, 10
Tampa Bay	85	63	.561	—	6	TOMORROW'S GAME
Boston	82	57	.590	3%		B.C. AT HAMILTON, 5
N.Y. Yankees	75	65	.536	11		SUNDAY'S GAMES
Toronto	73	66	.525	12%		TORONTO AT MONTREAL, 2
Baltimore	63	76	.453	22%		SASKATCHEWAN AT WINNIPEG, 5
CENTRAL DIVISION						(GM 1)
Chicago Sox	78	62	.561	—		L.A. ANGELS AT DETROIT, 1
Minnesota	77	63	.550	1%		TAMPA BAY AT NEW YORK, 5
Cleveland	67	73	.486	10%		TORONTO 9 MINNESOTA 0
Detroit	67	73	.473	11%		OAKLAND AT KANSAS CITY (GM 2)
Kansas City	59	79	.388	18%		MINNESOTA AT TORONTO
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NEW YORK METS	79	61	.564	—		BOSTON AT TEXAS, 9:05
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES	76	64	.543	3		DDETROIT AT MINNEAPOLIS, 9:10
TEXAS RANGERS	69	72	.489	17		CLEVELAND AT KANSAS CITY, 9:10
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Houston	74	66	.529	11		DETROIT AT COLORADO, 10:05
Cincinnati	62	78	.443	23		ATLANTA AT L.A. DODGERS, 11:05
Pittsburgh	59	80	.424	25%		PITTSBURGH AT SAN FRANCISCO, 12:15
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In the age of bold sports guarantees, Saint Mary's Huskies linebacker Leroy Fontaine has another.

"I'm not sure who it's gonna be just yet but I'm gonna guarantee a couple of shutouts this year," he said. "Once we get the hang of this defence, I think it's gonna be unstoppable."

The Huskies, who haven't shut out anybody since Oct. 27, 2006, and haven't posted a two-shutout campaign in seven years, open the Atlantic University Sport season tonight at 7 p.m. against the Acadia Axemen at Huskies Stadium.

They are adjusting to new defensive coordinator Danny Laramee, and if you believe Fontaine, things are going smoothly. Laramee arrived this summer to replace Mike McLean, who left to take a job as head coach of the York Lions.

McLean had built Saint Mary's into a stout defen-

sive squad, as it limited the defending champion Laval Rouge et Or to just two points in a 24-2 upset in last year's Uteck Bowl.

"It's a big change — it's night and day when you go from one coach to another, one defensive scheme to another," said Fontaine, who had 13 solo tackles in seven games last year.

"At first, it was pretty confusing. But now that we're getting a grasp of a lot of this new stuff, it's great. I love (Laramee's system) and a lot of guys here do, too."

Although close to 90 per cent of the roster is back from last year's Vanier Cup finalist, the Huskies have lost all-star linebackers Tim St. Pierre and Andrew King to graduation.

Fontaine and veterans Ryan Benjamin and Reed Anderson will be called upon to step up, while fourth-year defensive back Saleem Borhot will be a key to the secondary.

"Everybody on defence is hungry for the ball," the 23-year-old Fontaine said. "All



Dan Laramee, left, the new defensive coordinator for the Saint Mary's Huskies football team, has already impressed his players, who think a smooth transition will lead to a pile of wins this season.

RYAN TAPLIN/INFOR METRO HALIFAX

Pressure on Blair

- Allistair Blair has big shoes to fill in the Saint Mary's Huskies' backfield. The fourth-year running back is expected to carry the bulk of the load this season after the graduation of all-star Jacques Lumbala. Lumbala's 132 carries — on which he rushed for 1,044 yards and 10 touchdowns — are up for grabs.

"He understands the offence, he knows what's happening, and he's had an outstanding training camp," said Huskies head coach Steve Sumarah. "We're excited about what he can bring, finally being given the opportunity to be the No. 1 guy."

Blair averaged 7.9 yards per carry last season, totalling 373 yards and four touchdowns on 46 carries. Sophomore backs Cag Leger and Jonathan Shreve will also have increased roles.

goes on, these guys can adapt to what we're asking, and we're excited about where they can take it."

we want to do is get that ball."

Head coach Steve Sumarah wasn't throwing

around any of Fontaine's bold predictions, but he too is optimistic that defence will be one of the Huskies'

strengths.

"Is it going to be right off the bat? Maybe, maybe not," he said. "But as the season

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Veteran-laden Huskies ready to make run at championship

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SOCER The Saint Mary's Huskies men's soccer team is hoping low turnover leads to a championship banner.

The Huskies, coming off an 8-1-4 season and a runner-up Atlantic University Sport finish, are a veteran bunch this season, with only two major losses from last year's team.

They open the season tomorrow afternoon at 3:15 p.m. at Huskies Stadium against the Acadia Axemen.

"We all know each other, we know how each other

play, and we're optimistic," said veteran midfielder Peter Garonis. "The guys are having fun already so it's kind of exciting."

Midfielder Frederico Krause and striker Brian Little are the key graduates, but the list of returnees is long and stocked with talent. Goalkeeper Matt Hogg, fullback Jonathan MacNeil and midfielders Istvan Lakner and Danny Bachar — AUS all-stars last season — highlight the group.

The team's top two goal-scorers — Lakner and striker Hamzeh Afani — are back for another season.

"Our training is one of our biggest pros," said Garo-

nis, a Halifax native. "We come out every day for two hours, and fitness is a key. We play through our midfield and we've been playing with each other for a while, so we're really comfortable."

The Huskies are ranked sixth in the country, tops among AUS teams. The Cape Breton Capers, who beat the Huskies in last year's conference final, are ranked eighth.

On the women's side, the defending national champions Capers are ranked first in the country. The Dalhousie Tigers, Atlantic runner-ups last season, are ranked eighth.

Bleues' Bisailon can return early

CIS Atlantic University Sport has reduced the full-season suspension of Moncton Aigles Bleus women's hockey player Josianne Bisailon to half a season.

The Mooseheads have almost a week off after the pre-season comes to a close. They open the regular season on Sept. 12 on the road against the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles. Their home opener isn't until Sept. 19.




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Moose battle for ice time as pre-season ends

HOCKEY The Halifax Mooseheads wrap up their Quebec Major Junior Hockey League pre-season this weekend.

The Mooseheads host the Moncton Wildcats tonight at 7 p.m. at the Dartmouth Sportsplex before heading to Moncton's Tim Hortons Four-Plex tomorrow for a 7 p.m. rematch.

The roster is already set at 25 players, which includes two goalies, nine defence-men and 14 forwards.

With no jobs on the line, the battle now turns to earning ice time.

The players have a chance to move up in the lineup and secure their

spot on the team," Mooseheads general manager Marcel Patenaude said. "It's to prove themselves to the coaches and to get ready for the start of the season."

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The suspension, which was issued after Bisailon received a match penalty for striking an official in a game in February, was reduced after Bisailon appealed. She will be eligible to return to the ice on Jan. 1, 2009. METRO HALIFAX

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Keeping critics caged Pg 20



Let's face it: This time of year is often the dumping ground for lame movies. That's why Bangkok Dangerous, starring Nicolas Cage, and a host of other films aren't giving critics a chance to take a stab at them. But does it even matter?

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MGMT says they're owning up to being a real band.

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Do critics matter?

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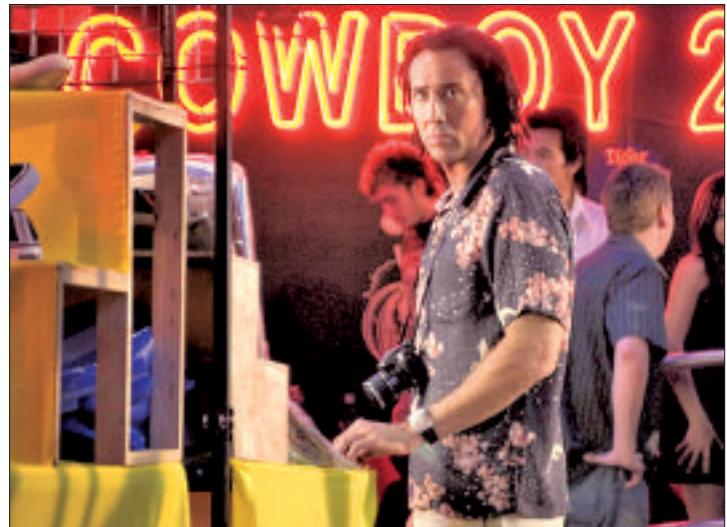
If you're flipping through this newspaper searching for a review of the new movie Bangkok Dangerous, you can stop right here. There will be no review of Nicolas Cage's latest action-thriller today.

As it happens, studios occasionally decide not to show certain films to critics prior to their respective movie's opening weekend. As editor of the popular website MovieCityNews.com, David Poland has a sense of why this occurs.

"The movies this time of year really, really suck," Poland said in a recent phone interview. "There's no value to having critics' screenings because they know how bad the movies are and so (studios) don't show them."

It's true there's been a noticeable surge of unscreened films lately. Last weekend alone saw the release of three movies that were not given press screenings — Babylon A.D., Disaster Movie and College — but the absence of reviews doesn't ensure they'll turn out to be flops either.

There have been considerable unreviewed successes like The Day After To-



Critics weren't allowed to pre-screen Nicolas Cage's film Bangkok Dangerous before it opened.

morrow, The Pink Panther and last year's Halloween.

It would seem that, as entertainment columnist Patrick Goldstein recently wrote, "critics today are viewed as cultural dinosaurs on the verge of extinction."

Part of the reason is the Internet's creation of access to open forums of criticism but studio marketing may play a bigger part. Poland points out most marketing budgets for Hollywood films have inflated

up to \$70 million per flick.

"The advertising has kind of taken over everything," says Poland of trailers and TV ads, now the prime factor in people's film choices. "But the value of critics is still there certainly for art films, anything that's small and needs help."

Eric Lundegaard goes one further on Slate.com, saying that, despite popular belief, the public does pay attention to reviews. After crunching the num-

bers, he writes, "critically acclaimed films average about \$2000 more per screen than critically lambasted films."

Despite all the numbers, the truth is, reviews are so enjoyably subjective that it would be a sad day to see critics and even horrible reviews go the way of the "cultural dinosaur". Besides, as novelist Kingsley Amis once said: "If you can't annoy somebody, there's little point in writing."

Jolie poster under fire for image of gun-toting star

Angelina Jolie might ooze Hollywood glamour, but if she's armed and looking dangerous, the actress is not welcome in Britain.

Britain's media watchdog, the Advertising Standards Authority (ASA), has banned two posters of Jolie promoting the film Wanted after upholding complaints that the images of the gun-toting actress glamorized the use of guns and violence.

One poster showed the actress crouching and holding a gun pointing upward while the other showed her lying on her back across a car's hood, brandishing guns.

The ASA said it had received 17 complaints from people who thought the ads were irresponsible because they glorify and glamorize gun crime at a time when there is increasing public concern in Britain about it.

"We considered, that because the ads featured a

glamorous actress, action poses, several images of or related to guns and aspirational text, they could be seen to glamorize the use of guns and violence," the ASA said in an online ruling.

The film's maker, Universal Pictures, defended the posters, saying the style of the advertisements reflected the film's comic-book roots and providing examples of other ads they believed were more graphic and less stylized than their posters.

Universal Pictures also said that the posters were not placed near schools and appeared in the London Underground system, which does not have a high proportion of children.

Universal, owned by General Electric Co., said the posters for the film were no longer being displayed, and there were no plans for their future use.

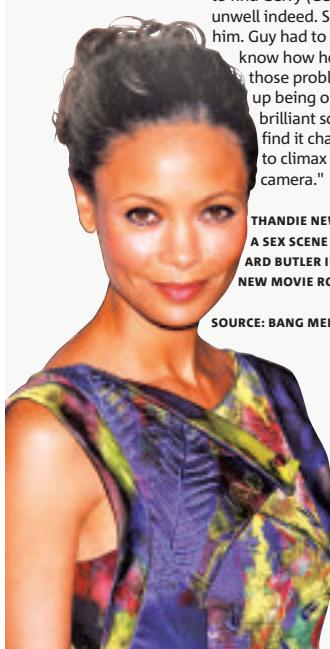
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Quote of the week

"I arrived on set for the sex scene to find Gerry (Gerard) was very unwell indeed. So I wouldn't kiss him. Guy had to improvise. I don't know how he coped with those problems but it ended up being one of the most brilliant scenes. But I did find it challenging having to climax in a close-up to camera."

THANDIE NEWTON ON FILMING A SEX SCENE WITH AN ILL GERARD BUTLER IN GUY RITCHIE'S NEW MOVIE ROCKNRROLLA.

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Babylon A.D.

Director: Mathieu Kassovitz
Stars: Vin Diesel, Michelle Yeoh
Classification: PG
Rating: ½

STEVE GOW
 for Metro Canada

Set in a dystopian future, Babylon A.D. stars Vin Diesel as Tooroop, a mercenary who, after sitting down to a nice furry-animal stir-fry, is kidnapped and bribed to escort a young woman (who's either the new Messiah or infected with a deadly virus – we ain't sure) from Russia to America.

Partnered with her chaperone (Michelle Yeoh), the trio hitches a ride on an old submarine, elude cultists and even outrun supersonic jets on ski-doos.

Awkward as that sounds, this film once held a lot of promise. The story carries similar themes of such post-apocalyptic fare as Children of Men and Blade Runner; the film looks impressively-designed and it was co-written and directed by Mathieu Kassovitz who made the stunning 1995 film La Haine. So,



In Babylon A.D., Vin Diesel plays a mercenary hired to escort a young woman to America.

why then, is it such a mess?

Firstly, although Diesel has never been known for his subtlety, in this, he makes Stephen Dorff look like Benicio del Toro. Still, I could've gotten by that if

all the action sequences didn't look like they were filmed by an epileptic orangutan.

According to Kassovitz (who trashed the movie himself), the studio interfered with the production

and even had the film chopped down to 90 minutes.

He's described it as violent, stupid and said it looked like a "bad episode of 24". Trust me — take his word for it.

Movie morsels

Traitor

½

REVIEW The title of the movie is supposed to suggest the job description of the protagonist, played by Don Cheadle, but you don't have to wait for the movie to end before you're thinking that Cheadle's Samir Horn would probably have been better off in a different line of work. Jeffrey Nachmanoff's Traitor takes its time setting up precisely what Cheadle's Horn does, and it eventually becomes clear that Horn is a spy working to infiltrate a terrorist network with big plans for another 9/11. The bulk of the movie concerns his attempts to maintain his cover while two eager FBI agents try to track him down.

Rick McGinnis/Metro Canada

with a decision between losing his job and training the new Indian branch, detached Anderson picks up and heads off to a country with a culture and lifestyle totally opposite to his own

Brian Coulton/Metro Canada

The House Bunny

½

REVIEW Written by the team behind Legally Blonde (who must be legally out of ideas), this dud tells the story of an aging model (Anna Faris) who joins a sorority after she's ejected from the Playboy Mansion. Attempting to be empowering, the film ends up embarrassing with characters so insipid and one-dimensional that to squeeze any depth from this flick would be like searching for theological subtext in a Jonas Brothers song.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

football by her uncle (Ice Cube). While Cube is decent enough, the plot moves too quickly and is short on conflict. In the end, that's the film's biggest downfall — sure, it's harmless enough, but The Longshots' saccharine intent to inspire is simply overbearing.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Star Wars: The Clone Wars

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REVIEW The Clone Wars sticks Anakin Skywalker and company in the middle of an intergalactic war between the clones and the droids. In reality, this movie kicks-off a new animated series and highlighting where this film truly belongs — on TV. Sure, it's an interesting combination of CGI and anime but the story itself is about as compelling as watching somebody play a videogame for 90 minutes.

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Black, Robert Downey Jr. and even Tom Cruise (in a surprising role that's sure to relieve those who thought he'd all but beamed up to Planet Thetan) in this spoof of Hollywood egos and icons. Stiller plays Tugg Speedman, a fleeting action star leading the cast of a fictional war film being shot in Southeast Asia. After the movie goes over budget, the actors are sent into the jungle to capture "real fear in their eyes".

Steve Gow/Metro Canada

Pineapple Express

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REVIEW Produced by Judd Apatow and starring Hollywood's favorite court jester Seth Rogen, this film is a Midnight Run-type caper about a dope-smoking process server who goes on the lam with his hapless drug dealer (James Franco) after witnessing a murder. Sure, it's a hollow story and the pacing is uneven, but this comedy still works as an impossibly hip comedy.

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The Longshot

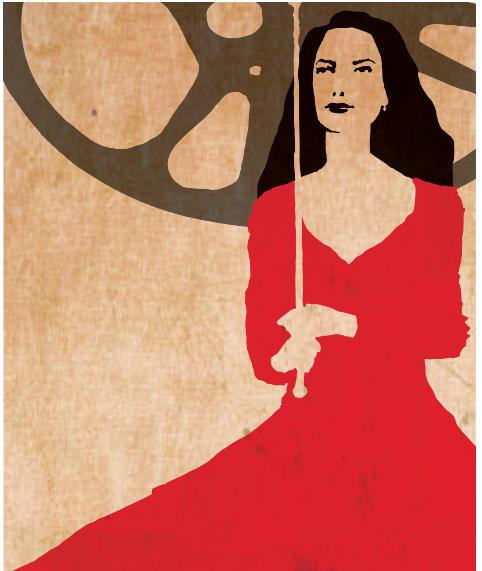
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REVIEW Directed by Limp Bizkit frontman Fred Durst (seriously!), this is the true story of a girl (Keke Palmer) inspired to play

Tropic Thunder

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REVIEW Ben Stiller leads the all-star cast of Jack



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Labels reload with rock for fall

New Metallica album drops next week, while U2 delays release until 2009

SoundCheck

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With Labour Day a memory and just 110 shopping days until Christmas, it's time to look at the fall album release schedule. Here's a sample of what we can expect for the do-or-die fourth quarter.

• **Metallica — Death Magnetic (Sept. 12):** After 15 years working with Canadian producer Bob Rock, Metallica hoped that studio guru Rick Rubin might get them out of a years-long creative funk. He told them the answer was to go back to what made them big in the 80s. Death Magnetic features lots of riffing, machine-gun drums and abrupt tempo and time signature changes. If you were into Master of Puppets-era 'Tallica, you'll be pleased. And just so they have all the attention to themselves, Metallica will release this



Metallica, left, are taking the unusual step of releasing new album Death Magnetic on a Friday, while U2, above, have apparently decided to delay their upcoming album until early 2009.

album on a Friday instead of the industry-standard Tuesday.

• **Keane — Perfect Symmetry (Oct. 14):** Things looked dicey for Keane when singer Tom Chaplin had to spend some time in rehab, forcing the band to lose some of the momen-

tum they had built with their first two albums. There's optimism that this new album will put things right. And what's this? An electric guitar on a Keane album?

• **Snow Patrol — A Hundred Million Suns (Oct. 28):** The favourite act of

the stars of Grey's Anatomy are ready with a fifth studio album that comes with an interesting marketing twist. It was announced this week that Suns will be used in some kind of interactive application for Apple's iPhone and Touch. Users will be able

to access all kinds of bonus content, including lyrics and artwork. If this works, expect other bands to follow.

• **Coldplay — Prospects March OR Prospects Song (Dec. 26):** Didn't we just get a Coldplay album? Apparently, there's more where that came from. There's a very strong possibility that we'll see an EP featuring Viva la Vida leftovers, including a Chris Martin/Kylie Minogue duet called "Luna."

• **U2 — No Line on the Horizon (Nov. 18, never mind . . .):** Apparently, there's been a delay. After

much speculation that the album would be released on Nov. 14, Bono dropped a bomb Wednesday, saying that nothing will be ready until early 2009 — not even a sniff of the rumoured first single, Sexy Boots. Universal, their record label, can't be happy. This also can't be good news for the stock price of Vivendi, Universal's parent company.

Check my Music Geek blog for more on this fall's new releases.

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Brooklyn duo MGMT take some Time to Pretend

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

In today's electronic age, what makes a band? Is it playing shows? Releasing music (vinyl, disc, mp3 or otherwise) to international acclaim? Reaching the top of the Billboard chart? Does it involve opening for hot-ticket bands Beck or Radiohead?

Brooklyn duo MGMT has done all of this. Still, they're just on the cusp of discerning their draw.

"We're finally almost reluctantly realizing we are a real band now and we're playing these big shows and acting like a band should act," says Andrew VanWyngarden. He, along with Ben Goldwasser, make up the team whose equal parts synth and live instrument music typify modern auditory allure.

VanWyngarden says MGMT's working relation-



MGMT's debut Oracular Spectacular included the hit single Time to Pretend.

ship relies on their complementary temperaments. "Personality-wise, I'm more of the creative, spontaneous fool. He's the mathematical genius." Musically, he thinks their creative contributions are a 50-50 split.

MGMT concert-goers can usually expect an energetic showing from band and

audience alike. When MGMT played Ireland's Oxegen festival in July, the crowd turned near riotous.

"Irish crowds are always crazy, but this one was super-crazy," says VanWyngarden. "They were climbing up tent poles on the side, so we had to stop the show and let everyone calm down

and climb down. That was a good show."

VanWyngarden says European festivals have a looser feel overall, compared to American counterparts like Tennessee's Bonnaroo and California's Coachella that he says are far more planned out. Despite their conservatism, he says MGMT break

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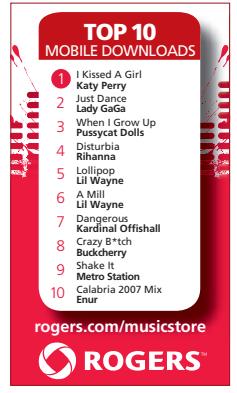
Andrew VanWyngarden

that structure. "I think we're just kind of weird by nature. Maybe that helps."

One aspect of their eccentricity lies in MGMT's varied use of current electronic trends and more traditional instrumentation on their first major release, Oracular Spectacular, which includes hit Time to Pretend.

"We don't consider our album electronic or electronica at all. We're definitely more inspired by rock bands," says VanWyngarden. "There's definitely electronic stuff on our album but it's coming more from the way we used to play when we started."

Now that MGMT is growing into their melodic skin, the pair is planning an active reinterpretation including inspirations such as The Zombies and the "funkadelic" Isley Brothers. "The next album will go more the way of where live bands are going, with more psychedelic rock, like a garage band."



24 weekend



TV



Sam Trammell and Anna Paquin star in the HBO vampire series *True Blood*, which debuts in Canada this Sunday on TMN.

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	7	7	7	ASN	Sue Thomas: F.B.I.	Robson Arms	TMZ (N)	America's Next Top Model		Stargate SG-1		
	11	11	11	CBC	Coronation St.	Laughs	Air Force Live	Comedy Fest.	MVP-Lives of Hockey Wives	CBC News: The National	The Hour	
	32	32	32	CBS	News (N)	Evening News	The Insider (N)	Entertainment	Stand Up to Cancer (N)	Fall Preview	Old Christine	Swingtown (N)
	6	6	6	CIHF	Entertainment	ET Canada	Swingtown (N)	Stand Up to Cancer (N)	NUMB3RS	News (N)		
	9	9	9	CJCH	eTalk	Hollywood	Greek "Multiple Choice"	Stand Up to Cancer (N)	Law & Order	News (N)		
	36	36	36	FOX	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader? (N)	NFL Kickoff Special (N)	Fox First	
	12	12	12	NBC	News (N)	NBC News	Hollywood	Extra (N)	Stand Up to Cancer (N)	Dateline NBC		
	55	55	55	SCOR	Score Update	Game On	Poker Pacific Poker UK Open	WWF SmackDown!		Score Tonight		
	53	53	53	TSN	Off the Record	SportsCentre	Intermission	2008 World Series of Poker	CFL Pregame	CFL Football: Stampede at Eskimos		
	16	16	16	A&E	Cold Case Files	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)	The Cleaner		
	70	70	70	APTN	First Talk	News	From the Spirit	renegadepress	Tears	Chiefs-Champ	Leaving Normal *** (1992, Drama)	
	37	37	37	BRVO	Street Legal	Rhythm-Roots	Bravo! Fact	Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon *** (2000, Adventure) Chow Yun-Fat.				
	49	49	49	COM	Laughs	Comedy Now	Air Force	Good Morning	Corner Gas	Rick Mercer	The Simpsons / South Park	Kathy Griffin
	18	18	18	CNN	(5) The Situation Room	Lou Dobbs Tonight	CNN Election Center	Corner Gas	Rick Mercer	The Simpsons / South Park	Kathy Griffin	
	38	38	38	DISC	How It's Made	Daily Planet (N)	Canada's Worst Handyman II	Shockwave	Man vs. Wild	Nature's kitchen: Myx: Cleopatra		
	34	48	48	HGTV	Holmes on Homes	House Hunters	Property Virgin	House Hunters	House Hunters	Green Homes	Extreme Home	Relocation
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	39	39	39	SHOW	Wife Swap ("Kelly and Donna")	The Best Years (DVS)	Mr. Friday (N)	The List	Til Debt-Part	Til Debt-Part	In Laws	
	40	40	40	SLICE	Matchmaker	Til Debt-Part	End of Leash	ET Canada	Mr. Friday (N)	The List		
	21	21	21	TLC	What Not to Wear	Who Are You Wearing? (N)	What Not to Wear	Mediums	What Not to Wear (N)	Say Yes-Dress		
	22	22	22	W	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury	Will & Grace	Friends	Mediums	In Her Mother's Footsteps (2006, Suspense)		
	27	27	27	YTV	The Next Star (N)	She's the Man ** (2006, Romance-Comedy)			(10:15) The Next Star	Falcon Beach		

SATURDAY

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	7	7	7	ASN	The Road to Avonlea	Missing (DVS)	Movie			TBA		
	11	11	11	CBC	Sat. Report	Antiques	2008 Paralympics	Equestrian BMO Financial Group Nations Cup.		Bay of Love		
	32	32	32	CBS	News (N)	CBS News	Inside the CBS	The Insider (N)	U.S. Open Tennis Women's Final. (HDTV) (Live)	48 Hr. Mystery		
	6	6	6	CIHF	Andromeda	Andromeda	Andromeda	Andromeda		Andromeda	News (N)	
	9	9	9	CJCH	eTalk Festival Party	The Man Who Lost Himself (2005, Docudrama)	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cops (N)	Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	News (N)
	36	36	36	FOX	MLB Baseball: Phillies at Mets	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cops (N)	Cops (N)	America's Most Wanted	Fox First	
	12	12	12	NBC	College Football	Access Hollywood (N)	Chuck (HDTV)	Chuck (HDTV)	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	Law Order: CI		
	55	55	55	SCOR	Score Update	Footy Show	University Football Western Ontario at Wilfrid Laurier. (Live)			Score Update		
	53	53	53	TSN	CFL Football	NASCAR Racing Sprint Cup -- Chevy Rock & Roll 400. (HDTV) (Live)						
	16	16	16	A&E	(6) The Anatomy of 9/11	I Missed Flight 93	Flight 93 ** (2006, Docudrama) Jeffrey Nordling.	The Sopranos				
	70	70	70	APTN	MYTV (N)	Rez Bluez	Guides	Fish Out	From the Spirit	Storytellers	Geographic	
	37	37	37	BRVO	Arts & Minds	Bravo!Videos	Live at the Rehearsal Hall	Standing in the Shadows of Motown (2002, Documentary)		Bravonews		
	49	49	49	COM	Laughs	Comics	Just for Laughs	Corner Gas	Blue Collar TV	The Simpsons / South Park	Dimitri Martin	
	18	18	18	CNN	This Week in Politics	Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)	Special Investigations	Larry King Live				
	38	38	38	DISC	How It's Made	The Flight That Fought Back		After the Catch				
	34	48	48	HGTV	Holmes on Homes	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	Flipping Out "Sell Out"	Holmes on Homes				
	46	46	46	HIST	The Real Treasure Island	NCIS: "Reveille"	Ancestors	Ancestors	Ocean's Twelve (2004, Comedy-Drama)			
	17	17	17	MM	Legally Blonde	Josie and the Pussycats ** (2001, Comedy) Tara Reid	Greek	Pimp My Ride				
	206	206	206	PIX	(6:15) <i>The Ugly American</i>	(8:10) You're a Big Boy Now ** (1966, Comedy)	The Replacements ** (2000, Comedy)					
	39	39	39	SHOW	(7:15) To Be Announced	About a Girl	Kink in Hair	Whispers and Lies (2008, Suspense)	Melissa Joan Hart.	Anchorman		
	40	40	40	SLICE	Matchmaker	Bulging Brides	Vanity Insanity (DVS)	End of Leash	Spoiled Rotten	Party Mamas	Rich Poor	
	21	21	21	TLC	Moving Up (HDTV)	Making It Home: Greensburg	Flip House	Hope-Home	The Real Estate Pros		Holmes-Homes	
	22	22	22	W	Hwd 10 Best	Runaway Bride ** (1999, Romance-Comedy) Julia Roberts, Richard Gere.	Flip House	Hope-Home	Failure to Launch (2006, Romance-Comedy)			
	27	27	27	YTV	Adrenaline Proj.	Mystery Hint.	Naruto	Blue Dragon	Zatch Bell	Bleach	Storm Hawks	

SUNDAY

	H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
9/7/08	31	31	31	ABC	News (N)	ABC News	Funniest Home Videos	Extreme Makeover: Home	America United: In Support of Our Troops (N)			
	7	7	7	ASN	To Be Announced	Funnies	Gossip Girl (HDTV) (N)	Cold Case (HDTV)	Mad Men			
	11	11	11	CBC	Heartland (HDTV)	Test the Nation: Canada, Eh? (HDTV) (N)	CBC News: Sunday Night (N)	Cold Case (HDTV)	Without Trace			
	32	32	32	CBS	U.S. Open Tennis Men's Final.	60 Minutes	Big Brother 10 (N)	Big Brother 10 (N)	Family Guy	Family Guy	News (N)	
	6	6	6	CIHF	renegadepress	The Simpsons	Family Guy	The Simpsons	Criminal Minds	Without a Trace (HDTV)		
	9	9	9	CJCH	Canada's Walk of Fame (N)							
	36	36	36	FOX	NFL Football: Cowboys at Browns	The OT.	Hole in Wall	The Simpsons	Family Guy	Family Guy	Fox First	
	12	12	12	NBC	News (N)	NBC News	Football Night in America	(9:15) NFL Football Chicago Bears at Indianapolis Colts. (HDTV) (Live)				
	55	55	55	SCOR	NFL Blitz	The WWE Experience	BodogFight		Hardcore Champ, Fight	Poker		
	53	53	53	TSN	CFL Football	Football Night in America	(9:15) CFL Football Chicago Bears at Indianapolis Colts. (HDTV) (Live)					
	16	16	16	A&E	(6:15) Flight 93 (2006)	CSI: Miami "Born to Kill"	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	
	70	70	70	APTN	Med. Woman	Tears	Warriors: TKO	Chiefs-Champ	MTV	Firestorm * (1998, Adventure) Howie Long.		
	37	37	37	BRVO	World of M.G. Vassanji	Aris & Minds	Bravo! Fact	Bordradile's Century	Shogun * (2005, Romance) Steve Martin.			
	49	49	49	COM	Laughs	Comics!	Winnipeg Comedy Festival	Laughs	Rick Mercer	The Simpsons / South Park	Comedy Net	
	18	18	18	CNN	Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)	Newsroom		Special Investigations	Larry King Live			
	38	38	38	DISC	MythBusters	MegaWorld: Switzerland	MythBusters (N)		Attack on the Pentagon (N)			
	34	48	48	HGTV	Flipping Out "Sell Out"	House Hunters	House Hunters	Property Virgin	Buy Me	Extreme Makeover: Home	Holmes-Homes	
	46	46	46	HIST	Dot Dogfights	NCIS: See No Evil	Crusaders' Lost Fort		Kingdom of Heaven *** (2005)			
	17	17	17	MM	Greek	Greek "The Rusty Nail"	2008 VMA Opening Act	2008 MTV Video Music Awards (Live)				
	206	206	206	PIX	(6:25) <i>Brewster's Millions</i>	(6:10) <i>Wild Things</i> ** (1998, Suspense), Matt Dillon			Everybody's All-American (1988, Drama)			
	39	39	39	SHOW	Wife Swap Mindful wife.	The Guard ("Waheguru")	Lies and Crimes (2007, Suspense)	Estella Warren.	Weeds			
	40	40	40	SLICE	In Laws	[Last 10 X-Weighted "Sharla"]	Wedding SOS	Rich Bride, Poor Bride	Biggest Loser			
	21	21	21	TLC	Our 27 Kids (HDTV)	Dwarf: Standing Tall	Dwarf Family: Meet Fooses		Painted Babies at 17 (N)	Toddlers		
	22	22	22	W	Hwd 10 Best	Shopping Bags	Grocery Bag	Style by Jury	Bridal Fever (2008, Romance) Andrea Roth, Delta Burke.	Missing		
	27	27	27	YTV	Spy Kids 3-D: Game Over ** (2003, Adventure)	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	The Next Star	Falcon Beach			

Sink your teeth into True Blood

IntelleVision

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THEY DON'T DRINK ... WINE:

HBO needs a hit, and it looks like they've got a lot riding on *True Blood*, which debuts this Sunday on the cable network in the states,

and here in Canada on TMN. The series has been in production for a year, with a pilot and two episodes filmed before last winter's writers' strike, and an early version of the pilot was leaked onto file-sharing networks months ago.

Created by Alan Ball, the man behind *Six Feet Under*, and based on a series of novels by Charlaine Harris, it's the story of a small Louisiana town just after the revelation that vampires ac-

tually exist, and that they've decided to go public thanks to the invention of synthetic blood, which will theoretically make preying on humans unnecessary. It stars Anna Paquin — the latest movie star to shift her career to the

small screen — as Sookie, a roadhouse waitress with some uncomfortable telepathic powers who falls in love with Bill (Stephen Moyer), a vampire who's decided to make the town his home.

Ball lets us know early on that the show is meant for an adult audience; the first scene features a hand-job in a moving car, and within a few minutes we're treated to nudity that promises to be copious in future episodes, especially since almost everyone we meet acts with the obsessive sexual abandon of teenagers from the popular clique on summer break between high school and college.

"When someone at HBO first asked me what this was about I said it's about the terrors of intimacy," Ball said recently in an interview with the io9.com website,

Gossip Girl casts potential love interest

John Patrick Amedori, left, has been cast as Aaron Rose, a potential love interest for Serena van der Woodsen (Blake Lively) on *Gossip Girl*, reports tvguide.com. In the novels, Rose is an artist with a penchant for philanthropy.

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"and at the time I thought, 'Who knows what that means but it sounds good.' But over time I've really started to believe that this is the deeper meaning of the show."

On HBO's own website, Ball recalls that, during the pitch, he called the show "popcorn TV for smart people," and he's described the show as "really pulpy. It's total pulp." *True Blood* is a great example of what I call deep trash — the sort of subject matter that was once the province of B-films or worse, but which has been treated to big budgets and major stars in the last decade or so, and produced by writers like Ball who grew up with the avid subculture that once celebrated trash as a liberation from the humourlessness of taste and high culture.

The big test for *True Blood*, of course, is whether audiences will bite. And yes, I feel deeply ashamed of that dead easy pun.

Spears will be opening the show remained unclear. In previous appearances she has kissed Madonna and performed with a writhing snake.

Spears has yet to win an MTV Video Music Award, and her nominations this year are particularly tantalizing after her much-derided appearance in 2007, when she lip-synched her way through a dance number in an ill-fitting black bikini.

REUTERS

Spears to open MTV Awards

Britney Spears is to star at this year's MTV Video Music Awards, a year after a calamitous comeback performance at the same award ceremony. But this time the pop singer won't be performing.

Exactly how she planned to open the show remained unclear. In previous appearances she has kissed Madonna and performed with a writhing snake.

Spears will be opening the 25th annual edition of the MTV VMAs on Sunday at Paramount Studios in Hollywood, according to MTV's website.

That means she will be on hand if she wins an award. Spears has garnered three nominations for the clip to her single *Piece of Me* — Best Female Video, Best Pop Video and Video of the Year.

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RIGHT: Fans can expect something "fun and unexpected" when Britney Spears opens Sunday's MTV VMAs.



Fringe fest ending

The 18th annual Atlantic Fringe Festival wraps up this weekend with performances running Friday night and Saturday and Sunday. For more information, times and tickets go to www.atlanticfringe.ca. METRO NEWS SERVICES

weekend **25****Going Out**

Far north photography

Storied photog Semeniuk's shots on display at ViewPoint Gallery

PHILIP CROUCHER
for Metro Canada

Picture living in a 12-by-12 tent for six months with a family of nine, where it remains light all day and hunting for food is a matter of survival.

Certainly not the life most Canadians can relate to, but for photojournalist Robert Semeniuk, it's something he's experienced first-hand.

"The only privacy I had was when my eyes were closed," recalled Semeniuk, whose photographic portrait Among The Inuit is being shown this month at the ViewPoint Gallery in Halifax. "I ate raw meat. I was hungry a lot of the time. It was a tough place to be."

Tough, but for the Inuit people it's a life many live each day in Canada's north. Semeniuk travelled 15 times with his camera in hand to capture this existence between 1976 to 2002. He was on assignment with National Geographic when he lived for half a year with a family in a tent in Baffin Island.

There, he witnessed the social and environmental changes affecting this community.

His display at ViewPoint consists of 35 photographs, and offers a variety of different images. It is on display until Sept. 28.

"For me, the Inuit people belong to the land more than the land belongs to them," said Semeniuk, who is from Bowen Island,

B.C., which is about an hour outside of Vancouver. "And I think we can all learn from that. We're not looking after our environment very well because we don't have a lot of respect for it."

This style of photography isn't new to Semeniuk. Throughout his 25-year career, he's photographed many issues involving human rights and environmental issues, including a civil war in Burma and the life of a Red Cross war surgeon in Somalia.

"I tend to spend a lot of time in extreme places," he said.

"I get to see often the very worst of what people do to each other, but also the very best."

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Robert Semeniuk and his collection Among The Inuit will be on display at the ViewPoint Gallery in Halifax until Sept. 28.

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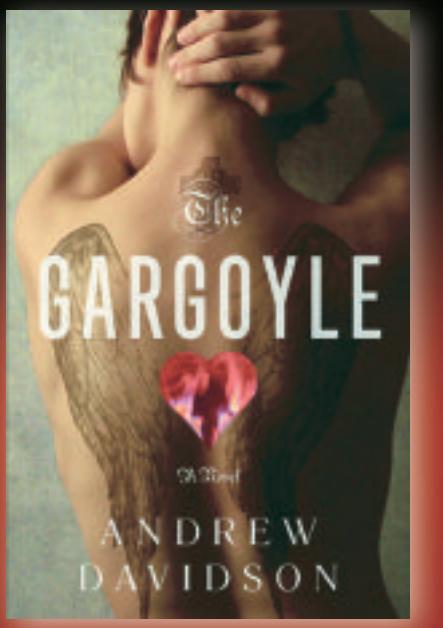
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Harkins heading for Ottawa

ANIMATION FEST Heather Harkins of Halifax has been chosen to sit on the jury for the 32nd annual Ottawa International Animation Festival, the largest of its kind in North America. The event begins on Sept. 17 with Harkins being selected to judge productions from the divisions in School Showcase and Feature Film. Over 2,000 animated films from 70 different countries have submitted entries into this year's festival. "I'm pretty excited. It's going to be really fun to see the international films," said the 33-year-old Harkins, who has a handful of animated films to her credit. "To meet the other jurors and the other animators will be fun, too. It's just going to be really delightful."

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In brief

COMMUNITY The third annual North End Community Festival will take place this Sunday at noon and feature musical performances by Asia and Nu Gruv, Shane C, Ghettosocks, Windom Earle and Jon McKeil.

DANCING World-renowned Compagnie Marie Chouinard will be returning to Halifax for three shows at the Sir James Dunn Theatre at the Dalhousie Arts Centre from Oct. 2 to 4.

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26 weekend

clubs

ARGYLE BAR AND GRILL

Jazz night on Wednesday. 1575 Argyle St.

BAY'S LANDING

Open mic with Low Rider on Saturday. 354 Prospect Bay Rd.

BEARLY'S

Roger Howse Band on Friday and Saturday. Strangeboy matinee on Saturday, Doyle and Dobson matinee and Brad Conrad on Sunday, 1269 Barrington St.

BIG LEAGUES

Asia and Nu Gruve on Friday. 4 Forest Hills.

BOOMER'S LOUNGE

Ten Mile House on Sunday. 1725 Grafton St.

BUBBLES MANSION

DJ Savory on Friday. DJ Doug Phresh on Saturday. 5287 Prince St.

CELTIC CORNER

Gig Dogs on Thursday through Saturday. 69 Alderney Dr.

CHEERS

Sam Moon and Rick Gautreau matinee on Friday. Soul Kitchen on Friday and Saturday, DJ Stickboy on Sunday. 1743 Grafton St.

COACH'S PUB

DJ Scott on Saturday. 552 Sackville Dr.

DAVE DOLITTLES

Karaoke on Friday and Saturday. 90 Tacoma Dr.

THE DOME

DJ Doug Phresh on Friday. World dance party on Saturday. 1663 Argyle St.

DUTCHIE'S PUB

Jeff Bonang and friends on Sunday, 4 p.m. 3671



Justin Nozuka will perform during the gala opening party for the Atlantic Film Festival on Thursday night on Argyle Street.

Dutch Village Rd.

ECONOMY SHOE SHOP

Shirley Jackson on Monday. 1661 Argyle St.

THE FIFE AND DRUM

Bittersweet on Friday and Saturday. 1919 Upper Water St.

FINBAR'S

Paul Tupple on Friday and Gordon Tuc on Saturday. Sunnyside Mall.

FOGGY GOOGLE

Mike Dalton, Donald MacLennan

on Saturday. 1667 Argyle St.

GINGER'S TAVERN

Josh Parkinson with Matthew Pickup and The Movement on Friday. The Crunk Pimp Variety Show Special on Saturday, Comedy on Sunday. 1662 Barrington St.

GORSEBROOK LOUNGE

Chad Hatcher, 923 Robbie St.

GUS' PUB

Pack AD, Big Game Hunt on Friday, Thrashfest II through Sunday. Hamilton Trading Company, The Postcards on Saturday, Lazy James Cody and Friends on Sunday. 2605 Agricola St.

HALIFAX ALEHOUSE

Bent on Friday and Saturday, 1717 Brunswick St.

HARBOURFRONT ROOM

Tony Smith matinee on Saturday, Tony Smith and Soulfinesse, through Sunday. Casino Nova Scotia.

THE JOLLY MUG

Dance and sing on Sunday. 15 Lakeland Rd.

LION'S HEAD TAVERNS

Laurie the Guy on Friday and Saturday. 5833 Sullivan St.

LOWER DECK

Paul Lamb and Cory Telford matinee and McGinty on Friday, Paul Lamb matinee and McGinty on Saturday, and Signal Hill on Sunday. Historic Properties.

MARQUEE CLUB

Rich Aucoin on Friday. Grandmaster Roc Raida with God Made Me Funky on Saturday, Lagwagon with

MxPx, Only Crime and TAT on Wednesday. 2037 Gottingen St.

MENZ BAR

DJ Needles and DJ Bear on Friday and Saturday. 2182 Gottingen St. 2182 Gottingen St.

MY SON'S PLACE

Open mic with Low Rider Band on Sunday. 223 Wyse Rd. \ NENAGH BAR AND GRILL

Jamie Fontaine and Paul Tubb on Saturday, 30 Farnham Gate.

NICHE

Mike Cowie's Waterbabies Jazz Quartet on Friday and Saturday. 1505 Barrington St.

O'CARROLL'S

The Crew on Friday and Saturday. David Dobson on Sunday. 1860 Upper Water St.

OLD TRIANGLE

Jimmy Sweeney and Kevin Roach on Friday and Saturday. Eric Dempsey and Gordon Tucker matinee on Saturday. Kevin Roach on Sunday. 5136 Prince St.

OUR FRIEND'S PUB

Kitchen parties on Monday. John Snyder on Thursday. 19 Norm Newman Dr.

THE PALACE NIGHTCLUB

DJ Mash-Up on Friday. DJ Fierce on Saturday. 1721 Brunswick St.

PARKSIDE PUB

Dance DJ on Friday. Wildside on Saturday. 14 Highfield Park Dr.

THE PAVILION

Tears from the Sky, Today I Caught

the Plague, Man with Target, Moniker, and Urn of Ashes on Monday. 5816 Cogswell St.

PEDDLER'S PUB

DJ Mathe-matrix on Friday. Granville Mall.

POGUE FADO

Saunders Brothers Show (matinee)

and Shaydid on Saturday. 1581 Barrington St.

PORTER'S LAKE PUB

Dance Party with Low Rider on Saturday. Karaoke on Saturday. 5528 Highway 7.

THE RED STAG

Bob Lambert musical comedy on Saturday. 1496 Lower Water St.

REFLECTIONS

Jamie Leigh, Jules and Beatfreaker on Friday. Squirt, Saturdaze DJ Headphones on Saturday. Ultimate Icons Dance Night on Sunday. 5184 Sackville St.

RIVERSIDE PUB

Sam Moon and Rick Gautreau, 1552 Bedford Highway.

RODEO LOUNGE

Ryan Cook and Mark Cameron on Friday, Mark Cameron on Saturday. 121 Ilsley Ave.

THE SEAHORSE

The Gypsies, with The Darcys and The Slate Pacific on Friday. 1659 Argyle St.

THE SHORE CLUB

Forty Fingers on Saturday. 250 Shore Club Rd.

SNABAR

Live entertainment on Friday and Saturday. 1535 Dresden Row.

THE SPLIT CROW

Scratch 45 on Friday and Saturday. The House Party Guys on Sunday. 1855 Granville St.

STAYNER'S WHARF

Drum-line on Friday, Los Flamencos on Saturday. Jeff Goodspeed and friends on Sunday. 5075 George St.

TRIBECA

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ART GALLERY OF NOVA SCOTIA Contemporaries, Tom Forrestall paintings, and Nova Scotia folk art exhibition. Various dates. 1723 Hollis St.
CRAIG GALLERY Works by

George H. Craig. Through Sept. 14. Alderney Landing.
DALHOUSIE ART GALLERY Exalted Beings: Animal Relationships. Through Oct. 5. 6101 University Ave.
EYELEVEL GALLERY Works by Tanya Busse and Kim Waldron on Saturday. 2063 Gottingen St.

FRED GALLERY Works by Kevin Lewis and Melissa Marr. Through Sept. 13. 2606 Agricola St.
GALLERY PAGE AND STRANGE Works by various artist. Through summer. Granville Square.
HYDROSTONE GALLERY Jay Ouellette: Recent Paintings. 5519 Young St.

THE KYBER ICA: Alastair's MacDonald Songs From the Plays. Through Sept. 7. 1588 Barrington St.
MOUNT ST. VINCENT ART GALLERY Anthem: Perspectives on Home and Native Land. Through Oct. 5. 166 Bedford Hwy.
QUEEN STREET STUDIOS Works by various artists.

50 Queen St.
SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY GALLERY Euan MacDonald: Two Places at Once, curated by Ann MacDonald and Barbara Fischer. Opens Saturday through Oct. 12. 5865 Gorsebrook Ave.

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Seeds Gallery
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Metro's **7th Heaven:** What's hot right now

1 Shenae Grimes

Canadian actress Shenae Grimes has taken another leap in her career, from Degrassi: The Next Generation, to a starring role on 90210. The spinoff of Beverly Hills, 90210 debuted Tuesday, where Grimes plays Annie Wilson.



3 Heroes: Season 2

The recently released four-disc DVD box set of this hit show's second season features featurettes, a peek at Season 3, audio comments with cast and crew, and more. The set has been a top seller on Amazon.ca.



2 The Last Lecture, by Randy Pausch

Lecturer Randy Pausch, who recently died of pancreatic cancer, puts his lessons on life into a book for those who would rather read the words than now hear him deliver them on YouTube. He wrote the book for his young kids, but perhaps readers can benefit from his teachings, too.



4 The Script

Already garnering major air play in its native Ireland, Dublin band The Script is sure to making some noise this side of the Atlantic soon. The trio's singles We Cry and The Man Who Can't Be Moved is available on iTunes.

5 Slouchy beanie hats

Slouchy beanie hats are forecast to top — and turn — heads into winter, femalefirst.co.uk reports. Why not? They're the perfect toppers for bad-hair days and look mighty cute, too.

6 America's Next Top Model

First full-figured Whitney Thompson wins the reality TV competition, now a transgender contestant is battling to be on top on this season of the modeling competition. Cheers to show creator Tyra Banks for showing that beauty comes in all forms.

7 Bath and Body Works

U.S. chain store Bath and Body Works is finally bringing its sublime beauty and personal-care products to Canada via new stores soon opening in Toronto and Edmonton. The rest of the country need not sigh — online shopping is doable at www.bathandbodyworks.com.

... and what's not

Pregnant pause

Vikes, what timing: John McCain's recently announced U.S. vice-presidential running mate, Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, has revealed her 17-year-old daughter Bristol is five months pregnant.

galleries

SECORD GALLERY Recent works by gallery artists. Through summer. 6301 Quinpool Rd.

STUDIO 21 New Contemporary works by various artists. Through summer. 1223 Lower Water St.

UTILITY GALLERY Jared Betts' Cataract Reality. Through Sept. 20. 5224 Blowers St.

VIETH STREET GALLERY New works by Tristan Cooke. Through Saturday. 3115 Veith St.

VIEWPOINT GALLERY Robert Semeniuk: Among the Inuit. Through Sept. 28, 1272 Barrington St.

ZWICKER'S GALLERY Works by various regional artists. 5415 Doyle St.



Lagwagon is headlining a show on Wednesday at the Marquee Club. Advance tickets cost \$26 plus service charges.

Sept. 28. 1747 Summer St.

PIER 21 Various exhibits. 1055 Marginal Rd.

theatre

ATLANTIC FRINGE FESTIVAL

Various plays and performances around the city. Through Sunday. www.atlanticfringe.ca.

GRAFTON ST. DINNER THEATRE Mairi's Best Friend's Wedding. Until Oct. 5. Call 425-1961 for reservations.

HALIFAX FEAST DINNER THEATRE Cape Breton Idle III. Through November. 1505 Barrington St. Call 420-1840.

ATLANTIC FILM FESTIVAL

Opening Thursday with festival running through Sept. 20. Gala party Thursday night featuring Justin Nozuka, Argyle St.

BELLA ROSE ARTS CENTRE Drum! Sept. 12 through Oct. 12. Visit www.bellaroseartscentre.com.

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'Baby' is really five pounds

Desperate Housewives star Eva Longoria Parker has once again been forced to deny she is pregnant, attributing her "bump" to five pounds she gained over the summer. [IMDB.COM](#)

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Anne spent thousands on ex-boyfriend

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Anne Hathaway broke off her relationship with businessman Rafaello Follieri just hours before his arrest on charges of wire fraud and money laundering, according to a report in the October issue of *Vanity Fair*.

"You were the love of my life," the actress told Follieri by phone on June 23, according to a friend who heard the conversation, *Vanity Fair* reports. "I'll always love you. You know that, baby." Later that day, Follieri was arrested and accused by federal prosecutors of defrauding investors of millions of dollars through claims he had connections with the Vatican.

The article also reports that Hathaway, 25, paid the 30-year-old Follieri's

\$37,000 US monthly rent for his duplex in Manhattan's posh Olympic Towers for four months, [People.com](#) reports.

Hathaway's father, Jerry, had a private investigator check out Follieri three years ago, the story claims.

Follieri is now awaiting trial at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York City, unable to pay his \$21-million bail.

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Jessica puts acting on hold

PEOPLE Jessica Simpson has no plans to return to acting anytime soon, [femalefirst.co.uk](#) reports.

The singer, who starred as Daisy Duke in the movie *The Dukes of Hazzard* and has since appeared in films including *Blonde Ambition* and *Employee of the Month*, admits she has lost her appetite for the industry following the lack of interest in her latest movie ventures.

"I'm not closing that chapter of my life by any means," she said. "But I am all about the music right now. When it comes to act-

ing, it's got to feel right for me at this point in my life. It's got to just be a really incredible director and production with an awesome studio and great cast. But for me right now, Jessica Simpson is music."

Simpson, who will soon release her debut country album *Do You Know*, also revealed she began to lose confidence in her vocal talents following her shambolic performance of Dolly Parton's *9 To 5*.

"You know, what happened at Kennedy Center, I really thought I was done singing," she said. "I was just at a place where I'd lost a lot of confidence and I didn't even know who I was."

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**celebrity brief****Daniel refuses to kiss and tell**

SEX Harry Potter star Daniel Radcliffe is refusing to name the woman he lost his virginity to at 16, because she was much older than him, [imdb.com](#) reports.

The actor, now 19, makes the big reveal about his first time in a new *Details* magazine interview — but he's not revealing who the woman was.

Radcliffe insists the age difference "wasn't ridiculous," but "it would freak some people out."

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Sienna may move out of Britain

PEOPLE Actress Sienna Miller has decided to move away from Britain, following a barrage of negative press over her relationship with actor Balthazar Getty, [imdb.com](#) reports.

Miller hit the headlines after pictures emerged of her frolicking with the father-of-four, who recently left his wife, on a yacht off Italy's Amalfi coast in July.

She has since faced setbacks, including an attack on her London home in which the word "slut" was sprayed onto brickwork.

And now her step-moth-

er, Kelly Hoppen, insists the star plans to move abroad to escape the media spotlight.

"It's disgusting that she cannot live in her own country," Hoppen says. "Why is it that if a man leaves his wife the new woman gets all the s-t? That doesn't happen the other way round."

But Hoppen insists Miller is not letting the negative stories upset her.

"We try not to read the papers anymore," she says. "She's actually doing fine. In fact she is great. But we've only read one positive article about her ever."

Miller was recently rumoured to be viewing properties in California with Getty, prompting speculation that she will now set up home in Los Angeles.

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**celebrity brief****David's a daddy — DNA says so**

PEOPLE A baby girl born last week to former Playboy Playmate Jillian Grace is funnyman David Spade's biological daughter, his publicist has confirmed.

"David and Jillian have been in close contact throughout her pregnancy and he plans to go see the baby during his first break from shooting *Rules of Engagement*," publicist Meredith O'Sullivan told *People*.

Spade had admitted to a fling with Grace, and had told *E! News*, "If it is true that I am the father of her child, then I will accept responsibility."

The baby was born Aug. 26 in Missouri.

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**celebrity brief****My fashion business is doing just fine: Victoria**

FASHION Former Spice Girls star Victoria Beckham has denied her recent fashion ventures have been a disappointment, insisting her Dvb brand is "going from strength to strength," [imdb.com](#) reports.

Beckham has been at the centre of rumours that her label was in crisis after she announced her new range of dresses would not be

shown on the catwalk at the upcoming New York Fashion Week, but in small private viewings.

The singer's Dvb denim range also came under fire earlier this year after Los Angeles boutique Kitson dropped the brand, citing poor sales and a lack of promotional activity

from the star.

But Beckham is adamant her fashion business is doing well. "Career-wise, the opportunities and success I've had this year are outstanding," she says. "My brand's going from strength to strength."

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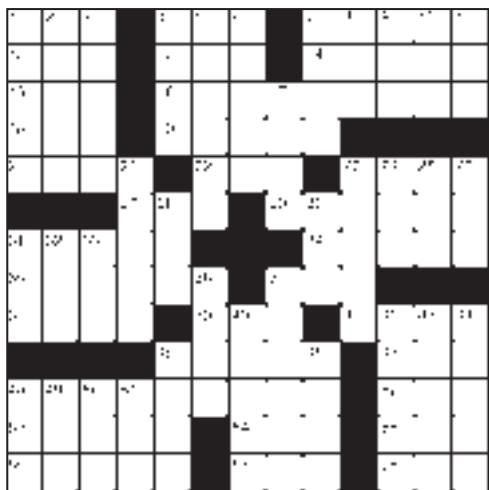
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30 entertainment

Bill Melendez, the animator who voiced Snoopy's howls and sighs and was responsible for bringing A Charlie Brown Christmas and dozens of other Peanuts specials to the small screen, died Tuesday in Santa Monica, Calif., according to his publicist. He was 91, reports E! News Online. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Peanuts animator dies

Take Five



Crossword down

- 1 Spectrum creator
- 2 Boredom
- 3 Fades away
- 4 Colo. Spgs. grp.
- 5 Approach the curb
- 6 Slander
- 7 Wonka creator
- 8 Carte lead-in
- 9 Actor Kilmer
- 10 Lemieux milieu
- 11 The air up there
- 17 Sign: ped —
- 21 1-to-10, often
- 23 Type of prize
- 24 Mess up
- 25 Early bird?
- 26 Retainer
- 28 Is multiplied?

- 30 Id counterpart
- 31 Recede
- 32 Rotation duration
- 33 "Skedaddle!"
- 36 Boo Boo's mentor
- 37 Record jacket
- 40 Less healthy
- 42 Phantom's bailiwick
- 43 Islamic Bible
- 44 Square-dance group
- 45 Inauguration
- recitation
- 46 Turned blue?
- 48 Dark brown-gray
- 49 Blood-typing letters
- 50 Neither mate
- 51 Not "dis"

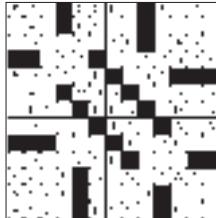
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Crossword across

1 Church seat	23 Complaint
4 Boom times	27 Upper limit
7 "Jezebel" Oscar winner	29 First name of 35-Across
12 Genetics abbr.	31 Mystery writer's award
13 Total	34 Be a glutton
14 "Oh, woe!"	35 "It's a Wonderful Life"
15 Tourists' haven	hero
16 "Roots" author	37 Weep loudly
18 Seek restitution	38 IT measure
19 Swing around madly	39 Lubricate
20 "Congeniality"	41 Symbol of servitude
22 Coffee-shop vessel	45 Looked lecherously

47 Luau bowlful
48 "When My Baby Smiles at Me" star
52 Work unit
53 WWII sub
54 Leading lady?
55 "Go, team!"
56 Top of the world?
57 Roulette bet
58 Pismire

previous day's answer



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previous day's answer

4	7	6	8	3	9	5	2	1
3	2	9	1	4	5	7	6	8
5	8	1	7	2	6	9	4	3
8	5	2	3	1	4	6	7	9
1	6	4	9	8	7	3	5	2
7	9	3	5	6	2	8	1	4
6	4	7	2	9	3	1	8	5
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cloudy.
24°

Tonight



Variable.
16°

Saturday



Showers.
80%
19° / 18°

Sunday



Rain.
100%
21° / 15°



Monday



Partly
cloudy.
22° / 14°

Temperature

Normals

High: 20.7°

Low: 12.2°

Records

High: 28.3°/1983

Low: 5°/1963

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